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SAC, NEW YORK (MAIL)

CECIL BLOUNT DE MILLE, VOA. REBULET JULY 7, LAST. YOUR ATTENTION IS DIRECTED TO REPORT SA ARTHUR V. WELLS, APRIL 7, LAST, CAPTIONED "ALBERT ADAM KAPLAN, SPECIAL INQUIRY," NEW YORK FILE 77-16162 WHICH SETS FORTH INFO RE AGNES DE MILLE AND MARGARET DE MILLE. NEW YORK ATTEMPT TO DEVELOP DEGREE OF ASSOCIATION BETWEEN APPLICANT, MARGARET DE MILLE, AGNES DE MILLE AND WILLIAM C. DE MILLE OTHER THAN THAT OF FAMILY RELATIONSHIP. DOCUMENT AGNES AND MARGARET DE MILLE. LOS ANGELES HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED TO DOCUMENT WILLIAM C. DE MILLE. IMPORTANCE AND URGENCY OF THIS CASE CANNOT BE STRESSED TOO STRONGLY. SURFP AT EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE. SUAIRTEL JULY 15, NEXT, DATE REPORT EXPECTED.

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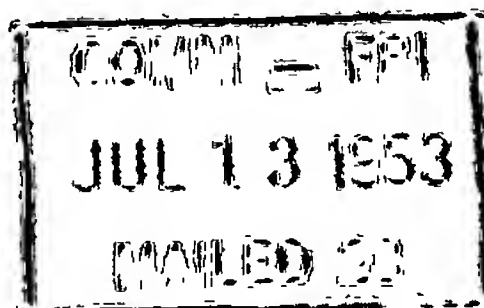
NOTE: This investigation was referred to the Bureau by CSC and ordered to the field 7/7/53. CSC's referral stated that Dr. Robert L. Johnston, Administrator, International Information Administration, in submitting to the Commission the original request for the investigation, specified that it be completed within 10 days. Mr. Charles Noone of IIA telephoned the Bureau at 4:30 p.m., 7-~~6~~-53, stating that he understood that request of investigation of DeMille had been referred by CSC to the FBI since he was expected to fill a key position in the IIA. He was advised that the request for investigation on DeMille was not received until July 6 and was told by Mr. Crosby that every effort would be made to get the investigation out as quickly as possible.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

Date: July 7, 1953
To: SAC, LOS ANGELES
From: J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Subject: CECIL BLOWNT DEMILLE
SPECIAL INQUIRY - STATE DEPARTMENT
PUBLIC LAW 402, 80TH CONGRESS
(VOICE OF AMERICA)

AIR MAIL, SPECIAL DELIVERY

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You are requested to conduct an investigation of the above named individual. The instructions contained in Section 103, Volume 3 of the Manual of Instructions and Chapter 78, Part 3 of the FBI Handbook should be observed in connection with this investigation. This case is to be assigned immediately and reports of the complete investigation must be submitted Air Mail, Special Delivery, where proper, by July 14, 1953.

Address: 2000 demille Drive, Hollywood, Calif.

Birth date: 8/12/81
Birthplace: Ashfield, Massachusetts

This case was referred to the Bureau by the CSC under the provisions of Public Law 248, 82nd Congress. Observe instructions in Bureau Bulletin 55, Series 1952. Consult informants where applicable. Submit seven (7) copies of unrep.

It is incumbent upon you to resolve question which prompted CSC to refer instant case. It is also necessary to determine the degree of association between the applicant and any individual on whom the CSC has furnished derogatory information.

This is an expedite case. It is absolutely imperative that deadline be met.

SAN FRANCISCO: Note that copies of CSC investigation available at 12th Civil Service Region, Old Mint Building, 5th and Mission Streets, San Francisco. Contact this office and submit reports to proper offices.

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| TITLE CECIL BLOUNT de MILLE | | | CHARACTER OF CASE SPECIAL INQUIRY - STATE DEPARTMENT, PUBLIC LAW 402, 80th CONGRESS, (VOICE OF AMERICA) |

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

CECIL B. de MILLE attended Pennsylvania Military College from 1896 to 1898 and received an honorary degree, Doctor of Letters, in 1931. Past President of Pennsylvania Military College and personal reference both regard him as a loyal American.

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REFERENCE:

Bureau letter to Los Angeles dated July 7, 1953.

DETAILS:

The investigation at Chester, Pa., and Media, Pa., was conducted by SA WAYNE L. BEALS and the remainder by the writer.

Education

At Chester, Pa.

SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR ADD. DISSEMINATION.

Miss ELIZABETH SCHICK, Recorder's Office, Pennsylvania Military College, advised that she could not locate a file for CECIL B. de MILLE but that an index card listed his name and reflected that he attended the college from 1896 to 1898. This card further indicated that de MILLE received an honorary degree of Doctor of Letters in 1931.

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PH 123-3054

FRANK K. HYATT, 701 East 14th Street, retired President of the Pennsylvania Military College, advised that he had met CECIL B. de MILLE on numerous occasions. HYATT advised that his father, now deceased, was President of the college when De MILLE was a student. He advised that De MILLE was a remarkable man and one who he felt possessed the highest character and reputation. He stated that he knew nothing of De MILLE's educational background at the college but had heard from his father that he was an outstanding student. He advised that De MILLE had, since 1951, presented a trophy to the cadet at the college in the graduating class "who had shown in an outstanding manner his personal conviction of and devotion to the American ideal of individual freedom and the inalienable rights of man." HYATT stated that he considered CECIL B. de MILLE to be an extremely loyal American and believed he had established a foundation for the perpetuation of American ideals as exemplified in the Constitution of the United States by the annual award of the trophy. He concluded by saying that he would highly recommend CECIL B. de MILLE for any position of trust in which the Government had an interest.

Reference

At Philadelphia, Pa.

Mr. JOSEPH N. PEW, Jr., Sun Oil Company, 1608 Walnut Street, advised he has been acquainted with CECIL B. de MILLE for approximately fifteen years and regards him as a personal friend. He stated his contact with De MILLE has been both professional and social, and he regards him highly in both respects. He stated that CECIL B. de MILLE is an outstanding individual in every respect and considered this an achievement because De MILLE is professionally associated with a world, Hollywood, whose industry does not always merit the highest respect or admiration. He stated that De MILLE is financially, morally, and intellectually responsible and above all, a loyal American. He recommended CECIL B. de MILLE highly for any position with the United States Government.

Credit and Criminal

At Media, Pa.

The files of the Bureau of Criminal Identification, Delaware County, failed to reflect any record for CECIL B. de MILLE.

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At Chester, Pa.

Records of the Merchants Credit League of Delaware County contain no information regarding CECIL B. de MILLE.

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| REPORT MADE AT PHOENIX, ARIZONA | DATE WHEN MADE 7/13/53 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 7/11,13/53 | REPORT MADE BY HERMAN E. TICKEL her |
| TITLE CECIL BLOUNT de MILLE | | CHARACTER OF CASE SPECIAL INQUIRY - STATE DEPARTMENT, PUBLIC LAW 402, 80th CONGRESS (VOICE OF AMERICA) | |
| SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: | | INFO TO: <i>Wsta</i> REQ. REC'D <i>2-19-62</i> MAR 1 1962 BY: <i>BVH jer</i> | |
| <p>Mr. LEWIS W. DOUGLAS, a reference, President, Southern Arizona Bank and Trust Company, and former U.S. Ambassador in England, advised has known DE MILLE for approximately 20 years. Considers DEMILLE honest, loyal, patriotic, and of excellent character and reputation. Knows of nothing derogatory or disloyal concerning members of (DE MILLE family.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- RUC -</p> <p style="text-align: right;">ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED DATE <i>9/15/81</i> BY <i>SP7mac/dld</i></p> <p>REFERENCE: Bureau letter to Los Angeles, dated 7/7/53.</p> <p>DETAILS: <u>AT TUCSON, ARIZONA</u></p> <p>Mr. LEWIS W. DOUGLAS, a reference, is president of the Southern Arizona Bank and Trust Company and was former U. S. Ambassador to England. He advised he has known CECIL BLOUNT de MILLE for approximately 20 years. He advised Mr. de MILLE is considered honest, loyal, patriotic, and of excellent character and reputation. Mr. DOUGLAS further stated that he knows of nothing derogatory or disloyal concerning members of the (DE MILLE family.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- RUC -</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR ADD. DISSEMINATION.</p> | | | |
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who also caused the records of the Los Angeles Police Department to be searched, and at the U. S. Naturalization Court by SE B. FRANK CROSS.

This investigation was predicated upon the request of T-1, a governmental agency which conducts personnel investigations, who advised that information was received from T-2, of known reliability, [REDACTED]

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from T-4, of known reliability.

The American-Russian Institute of Southern California, the People's Education Center and the American Youth for Democracy have been cited by the Attorney General as within the purview of Executive Order 10450.

In the report to the 1948 regular California Legislature concerning un-American activities in California, on page 115 it is reflected the Spanish Refugee Appeal is a Communist Party front organization.

EDUCATIONAL AWARDS

University of Southern California
Los Angeles, California

Miss VIRGINIA DAVIS, Secretary to the President, advised the applicant received an honorary Doctor of Fine Arts degree at their commencement exercises in June, 1942, in recognition of his outstanding accomplishments in the field of fine arts.

American Legion

WARREN B. HILLMAN, Adjutant, Los Angeles County
Council of the American Legion, 1816 South Figueroa Street.

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The Hollywood Writers Mobilization has been cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 10450.

T-13, of known reliability, advised that [REDACTED]

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The December 15, 1943 issue of "Variety" reflects Y. FRANK FREEMAN is on the Advisory Committee of the Writers Congress.

T-1 also advised that [REDACTED]

De LOUIS B. MAYER, motion picture producer and former head of Metro Goldwyn Mayer Studios, 332 St. Cloud Road, West Los Angeles, California, who was given as a reference by the applicant, advised that he has been a very close professional and social acquaintance of De MILLE for the past 35 years and considers him to be a person whose character, reputation, loyalty, patriotism and associates are above reproach. MAYER also said De MILLE was a pioneer in the motion picture industry and is the best motion picture director in the world. He also stated the applicant operated a flying service from approximately 1913 to 1918 somewhere around Santa Monica, California. MAYER went on to say that De MILLE is an outstanding American and the United States Government could not have selected any individual better qualified for the job to which he may be assigned. MAYER further advised that he had no reason to question the loyalty of any member of De MILLE's family and recommended De MILLE without reservation for a position of trust and confidence.

T-5, of known reliability, [REDACTED]

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The Exiled Writers Committee worked with other Communist fronts when the Spanish Communist Refugee agitation merged into the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee in 1942.

The United Spanish Aid Committee and the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee have both been cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 10450.

T-17, of known reliability, advised that

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In the report to the 1948 Regular California Legislature Concerning Un-American Activities in California, on page 309, the Spanish-Speaking People's Congress was cited as a Communist front organization with offices in the Wilcox Building, Los Angeles.

The May 23, 1942, issue of the "Los Angeles News" reflects that KATHERINE de MILLE and ANTHONY QUINN from the motion picture industry were speakers at a meeting of the Spanish-Speaking People's Congress at the Embassy Auditorium on May 22, 1942.

T-18, of known reliability, advised that on

In the Report to the 1947 Regular California Legislature Concerning Un-American Activities in California, on page 45, and also the Report to the 1945 Regular California Legislature on pages 174 and 195 the Sleepy Lagoon Defense Committee is cited as "among the Communist front organizations for racial agitation" which also serve as "money-collecting media" and "as special political organizing centers for the racial minority they pretend to champion."

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When seventeen Mexican youths were convicted for murder or criminal assault after a disturbance at Sleepy Lagoon in Los Angeles in August, 1942, the Communist Party "had a new cause celebre which was used by Communist Party Steering Committees to feed the racial agitation and antagonism created by the "zoot-suit" riots."

In the 1952 Annual Report of the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., on page 43, JOHN BRIGHT was identified as a Communist by RICHARD COLLINS on April 12, 1951; by FRANK TUTTLE on May 24, 1951; by MARTIN BERKELEY on September 19, 1951; by ELIZABETH WILSON on September 21, 1951; and by BUD SCHULBERG on May 23, 1951. JOSEPHINE BRIGHT was identified as a Communist by MARTIN BERKELEY on September 19, 1951; and on page 44, DOROTHY COMINGORE was identified as a Communist by MAX SILVER on January 23, 1952.

T-4, of known reliability, advised in 1943 that ANTHONY QUINN, Actor, and KATHERINE de MILLE QUINN took part in the activities of the "Citizens Committee for the Defense of American-Mexican Youth."

In the 1947 Report to the Regular California Legislature Concerning Un-American Activities in California, on page 95, is reflected the Citizens Committee for the Defense of Mexican-American Youth is a Communist front for racial agitation that functioned in Los Angeles in 1943 during the so-called "zoot-suit" disturbances in that city.

T-4 also furnished the following

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attempted to keep the Communist element out of the motion picture industry. T-32 was also [redacted]

[redacted] and has never known or heard of them belonging to the Communist Party, but described them as being "progressive individuals," explaining the word "progressive" to individuals within the Party means sympathetic to the Communist Party. T-32 had no information concerning [redacted]

T-33, of known reliability, [redacted] who was formerly a member of the Communist Party from [redacted] advised that [redacted]

T-33 said that [redacted]

T-33 had no information concerning the sympathies and memberships in any organizations [redacted]

T-34, [redacted] who was a former member of the Communist Party from [redacted] advised that to his knowledge the applicant is a loyal and patriotic American citizen and has always been considered within the Communist Party circles to be very strongly anti-Communist. T-34 has never known or heard any information concerning KATHERINE de MILLE, ANTHONY QUINN, or WILLIAM de MILLE.

Reliable confidential informants who are generally familiar with some Communist Party activity in the Los Angeles area, advised they had no information concerning CECIL B. de MILLE, ANTHONY QUINN, KATHERINE de MILLE, WILLIAM C. de MILLE, LOUIS B. MAYER, or Y. FRANK FREEMAN.

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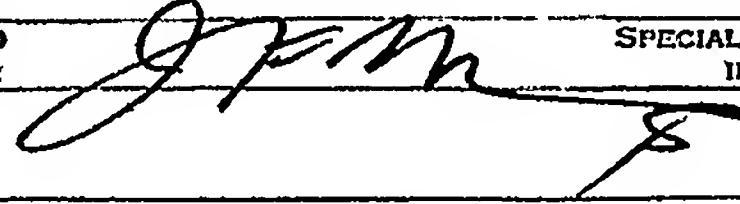
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| (VOICE OF AMERICA) | | | | |
| SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: | | | | |
| <p>De MILLE received honorary Doctor of Fine Arts degree in June, 1942 at University of Southern California, Los Angeles, and also received Americanism Award in October, 1951 at 33rd Annual Convention of American Legion in Miami, Florida.</p> <p>De MILLE employed as motion picture producer in Los Angeles, California from 1913 to present date, and JESSE L. LASKY recalled De MILLE organized an aviation firm at Santa Monica, California from approximately 1914-1918. Who's Who in America, 1952-1953, reflects De MILLE was organizer and President of Mercury Aviation Company, Hollywood, California, 1918-1923, which was first commercial aviation company to carry passengers on regulation flights. He also founded the De MILLE Foundation for Political Freedom sometime around 1945. Reference LOUIS B. MAYER recommends De MILLE without reservation and reference NEIL S. McCARTHY unavailable for interview as presently in Europe. Confidential informants advise [redacted] and T-12, of known reliability, [redacted] according to T-13, of known reliability, [redacted]</p> <p>[redacted] Acquaintances and neighbors recommend De MILLE without reservation for a position of trust and confidence. Credit satisfactory and no criminal record for De MILLE or relatives in the Los Angeles area. T-12, of known reliability, advised the name CECIL B. de MILLE appeared as patron on program of the Congress of American-Soviet Friendship in 1944, a Communist Party front organization. Informants advised</p> | | | | |
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AND AUSTIN KEOUGH, CHIEF LEGAL COUNSEL, PARAMOUNT PICTURES, NY.
ALSO INTERVIEW SENATOR ROBERT A. TAFT IF AVAILABLE AT NY HOSPITAL.
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(100-33049-26-8)
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SA J. R. VICARS, MARCH FOUR NINETEEN FORTY TWO, CAPTIONED
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(100-102946-2)
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(100-247118-33, pages 235-286)
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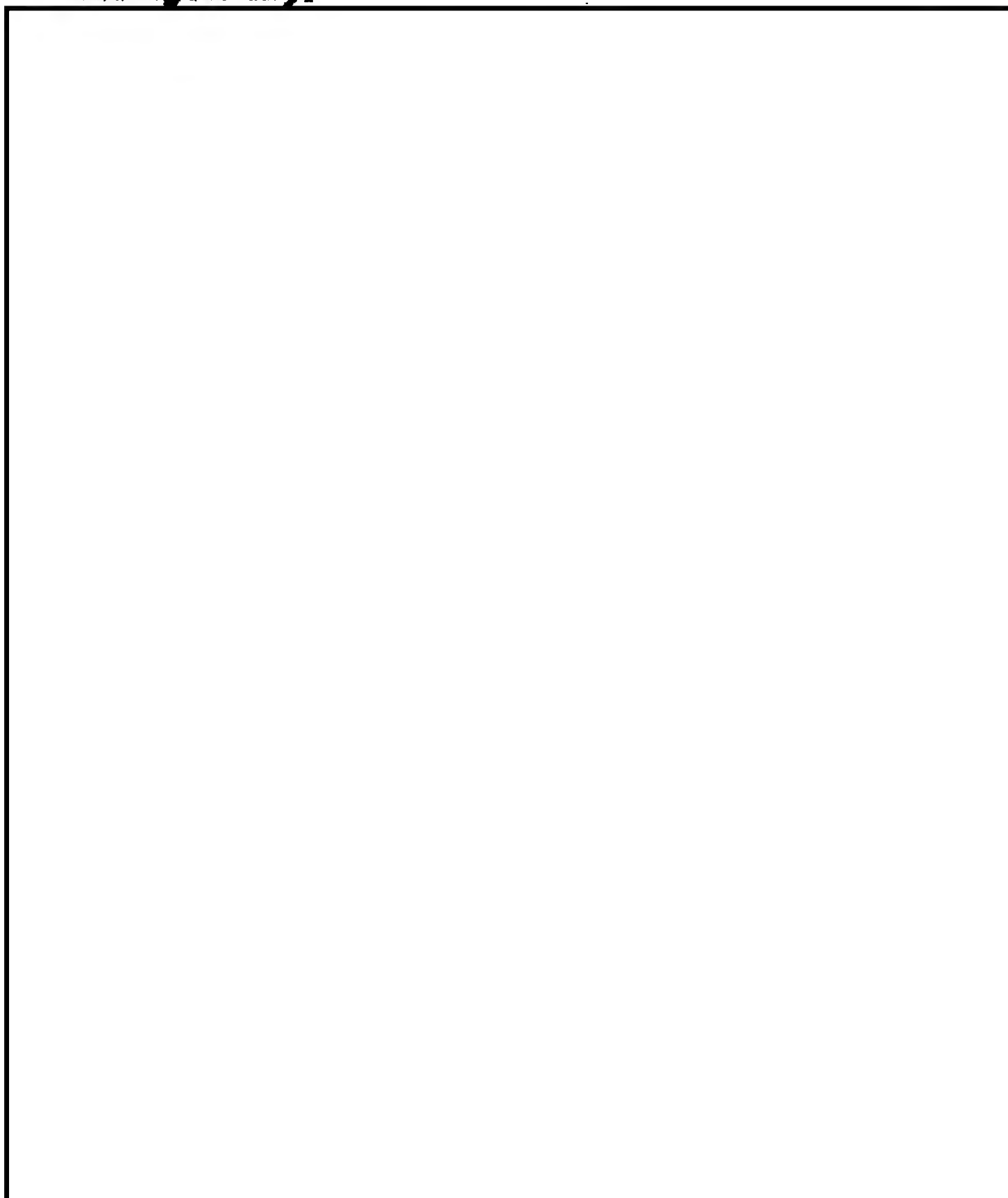
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DETAILS:

Education

American Academy of Dramatic Arts
245 West 52nd Street, New York City

MARIE MEYER, Business Manager, American Academy of Dramatic Arts, advised that records reflected Mr. de MILLE had attended that institute for two six month semesters from 1899 to 1900. She stated that the information contained on the record was limited to the above and that there was no one who would recall Mr. de MILLE.

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Mr. NAGEL stated that he had started acting in moving pictures under the direction of Mr. de MILLE in 1920 and that he has known him as a personal friend and business associate since that time. He stated that he has met Mr. de MILLE'S brother, WILLIAM C. de MILLE and other members of Mr. de MILLE'S family occasionally during the time he was in California.

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Mr. MEIGHAN stated that he had met Mr. de MILLE about 1915 and that his brother, THOMAS MEIGHAN, had worked with Mr. de MILLE for many years. He stated that he had met Mr. de MILLE'S brother on a few occasions but did not know other members of Mr. de MILLE'S family.

Mr. NAGEL and Mr. MEIGHAN both advised that Mr. de MILLE was respected by everyone who knew him and that he is a man of strong convictions. They stated that Mr. de MILLE has fought the Communist infiltration of the Film Industry for years and is completely loyal to the United States. They stated that they were not close associates of Mr. de MILLE'S family and did not know Mr. de MILLE'S nieces who reside in New York City.

Mr. NAGEL and Mr. MEIGHAN advised that they did not know how close Mr. de MILLE was to members of his family and that they had never discussed political ideologies with the members of Mr. de MILLE'S family. They stated that it was their opinion that Mr. de MILLE and members of his family were all loyal United States citizens and that they had never heard anything to make them think otherwise.

Miss GLORIA SWANSON, 920 5th Avenue, New York City, advised that she had gone to work for Mr. de MILLE in 1917 and has been a close friend and business associate of his since that time. She stated that she thought it was common knowledge in the theatrical world that Mr. de MILLE during the early 1900's was associated with CHARLES FROHMAN, DANIEL FROHMAN, Mrs. HENRY C. de MILLE, DAVID BELASCO and JESSE L. LASKY.

Miss SWANSON stated that she realized the threat to the United States by the Communist Party as early as 1937 and that she has been fighting the Communists since that time. She stated that because of her concern regarding Communism she maintained a careful watch of her associates and soon learned who were loyal Americans. She stated Mr. de MILLE was a loyal American and that she would highly recommend Mr. de MILLE for a position of trust.

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Miss SWANSON advised that she has met Mr. de MILLE'S brother and children on a few occasions when she was in California but that she had not discussed political ideologies with them. She stated she believed they, Mr. de MILLE'S family were loyal Americans because she had never heard anything unfavorable concerning them and because Mr. de MILLE was completely loyal. Miss SWANSON stated that she had formed the opinion that there was a feeling of professional jealousy between Mr. de MILLE and his brother and that because of this Mr. de MILLE was not very closely associated with his brother or his brother's family.

LOIS WILSON, Radio and Television Actress, when interviewed at the home of Miss GLORIA SWANSON advised that she has known Mr. de MILLE casually since about 1919 and that she had worked with Mr. de MILLE'S brother at different times. She stated that she believes Mr. de MILLE and his brother are not as close as most brothers and that she believes they have conflicting personalities. She stated that she did not know any of the other members of Mr. de MILLE'S family. She stated that she has never discussed political ideologies with Mr. de MILLE or his brother but that she believed them to be loyal Americans because of their reputations.

Doctor MARION STRANAHAN, MD, who specializes in psychiatry, 222 West 9th Street, New York City, advised that she treated Mrs. MARGARET de MILLE KAPLAN for a period of about three years. She stated Mrs. KAPLAN is a niece of Mr. CECIL B. de MILLE but that she does not believe Mrs. KAPLAN is closely associated with Mr. de MILLE. She stated that Mrs. KAPLAN had been ill but that she was cured now. She stated that she had never met Mr. de MILLE and that Mrs. KAPLAN rarely spoke of Mr. de MILLE. She stated that she did not know AGNES de MILLE PRUDE who is Mrs. KAPLAN'S sister.

Mr. CARLTON L. FISHEL, Trifari, Krussman, and Fishel, 16 East 40th Street, New York City, advised that he is acquainted with Mrs. MARGARET de MILLE KAPLAN but that he has never met Mrs. KAPLAN'S sister, AGNES PRUDE or other members of her family. He stated that Mrs. KAPLAN had remarked that her uncle was CECIL B. de MILLE but that she had never mentioned anything concerning Mr. de MILLE other than their relationship. He stated that he believed Mrs. KAPLAN is a person of good character, reputation, associates and loyalty.

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AUSTIN KEOUGH, Chief, Legal Counsel, Paramount Pictures Theatres Corporation, 1501 Broadway, advised SA JOHN F. TUTTLE, JR. that he has known and has been closely associated with Mr. de MILLE since approximately 1921. He stated he is a man of excellent character and reputation and a thoroughly loyal and intensely patriotic American citizen. He is a man of great ability, a widely read and an intelligent person who has made a success in the banking and real estate field as well as in the motion picture industry. He advised that Mr. de MILLE is a strong and reasonable man and one whom he would recommend for any position involving trust and confidence. Mr. KEOUGH advised that he is acquainted with Mr. de MILLE's wife and brother, WILLIAM. He advised that they are of good reputation and nothing has ever come to his attention that would reflect unfavorably upon them in any manner. He stated that he was mainly acquainted with WILLIAM de MILLE when he, de MILLE, was in the movie industry about ten or fifteen years ago, but has not had too much contact with him since that time. He advised that he is not acquainted with WILLIAM de MILLE's two daughters. He stated that Mr. CECIL B. de MILLE was formerly associated with DAVID BELASCO, a number of years ago in New York on the legitimate stage, but since that time has confined his efforts to the motion picture industry in California.

Mr. ADOLPH ZUKOR, Chairman of the Board, Paramount Pictures Theatres Corporation, 1501 Broadway, advised SA JOHN F. TUTTLE, Jr. that he has been acquainted with Mr. de MILLE for the past forty years. He is an outstanding and successful businessman, a credit to his profession and a credit to anything which he undertakes. He is a responsible, competent man of unusual ability, a completely loyal American citizen and a person who takes great interest in civic affairs. Mr. ZUKOR advised that he is acquainted with Mr. de MILLE's family and stated that they are people of good character and reputation. He advised that Mr. de MILLE's brother, WILLIAM de MILLE, has two daughters and he knew them years ago when they were children, but has no present knowledge of them, other than the fact that they reside in New York. Mr. ZUKOR advised that from his knowledge and association with Mr. CECIL B. de MILLE he can highly recommend him to any

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position involving trust and confidence. He stated that he has never heard of anything that would reflect unfavorably upon any member of Mr. de MILLE's family.

Mr. JACK MARTIN, Secretary to United States Senator ROBERT A. TAFT, was located at the New York Hospital, 525 East 68th Street, where Senator TAFT is recuperating from a recent operation, advised SA JOHN F. TUTTLE, Jr. that Senator TAFT's doctors have advised him to cease all business activity and therefore, it would not be possible to interview Senator TAFT.

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MISCELLANEOUS

BURTON JACOBY and KENNETH GROOT, both employed by the American Federation of Television and Radio Artists, 15 West 44 Street, New York City, advised that Mr. deMILLE is a member not in good standing, of that union. They stated that Mr. deMILLE had been a member of that union since February 13, 1939, but had been a member not in good standing since 1944 when Mr. deMILLE had refused to pay a union assessment of one dollar. They stated the State of California Legislature in 1944 attempted to pass a bill which would outlaw closed union shops. They stated the union was fighting the bill and had assessed all members one dollar to obtain money for legal council. They stated Mr. deMILLE did not approve of the assessment and had refused to pay it. They stated that Mr. deMILLE is a man of strong principles and his trouble with the union would not reflect unfavorable regarding his character.

Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, advised

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[redacted] T-1 advised that announcements concerning the National Council of American Soviet Friendship's work were made and among other things, the formation of a dance committee under the leadership of one AGNES deMILLE, not further identified, was announced.

Confidential Informant T-2, of known reliability, advised

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It is to be noted that Mr. JOSEPH PLETRACCA, Elevator Operator, 25 East 9th Street, New York City, who has been in this position for twelve years, advised that Mrs. ANNA GEORGE deMILLE and her daughters, MARGARET deMILLE and AGNES deMILLE, resided at this address until Mrs. ANNA GEORGE deMILLE died. He stated that AGNES deMILLE and her husband, WALTER PRUDE, are presently tenants of this building.

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Confidential Informant T-3, of known reliability, advised

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Confidential Informant T-4, of known reliability, advised

It is to be noted that the National Council of American Soviet Friendship has been cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 10450.

On March 3, 1945, the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade had an ad published in the "New York Times" entitled, "For America's Sake Break with Franco Spain." Among the individuals listed who sponsored and supported this statement, was one AGNES DEMILLE.

It is to be noted that the Abraham Lincoln Brigade has been cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 10450.

Confidential Informant T-5, of known reliability, advised

Confidential Informant T-6, of known reliability, advised that a function was to be held at the Ziegfield Theater on April 27, 1947, called "Dance Salute to the Spanish Republicans in Exile." T-6 indicated

Confidential Informant T-7, of known reliability, advised in June, 1948, that the Spanish Refugee Appeal is the name used by the Joint Anti Fascist Refugee Committee.

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The Joint Anti Fascist Refugee Committee has been declared by the Attorney General to be within the purview of Executive Order 10450.

Confidential Informant T-8, of known reliability, advised that at a dinner held under the auspices of the Joint Anti Fascist Refugee Committee, in honor of the "Spanish Republicans in Exile and

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In the September 26, 1949 issue of the "Daily Worker" an East Coast Communist newspaper, appears an article captioned "Spanish Refugee Appeal Dance Festival, October 5." This article reflects that "twelve leading interpreters of the modern dance will appear at the 4th annual dance festival at Carnegie Hall, Wednesday, October 5, it was announced yesterday by JOHN MARTIN, Chairman of the annual event sponsored by the Spanish Refugee Appeal Committee." Among the names of the artists who will perform was listed one AGNES deMILLE, not further identified.

Confidential Informant T-9, of known reliability, advised that records of the "The Challenge" newspaper, reflect that among those in the New York area who might possibly be interested in contributing money to said newspaper

Confidential Informant T-10, of known reliability, a former responsible official of "The Challenge" newspaper, advised that the publication was dominated by the Communist Party.

The April 3, 1952, edition of the "Daily Worker" contained an article entitled, "Dancers Protest Sending of City Ballet to Franco Spain. Top Dancers and Choreographers Have Joined Almost 200 Professionals in the Arts and Theater Arts Urging Mayor Impellitteri in His Capacity as President of the City Center to Cancel the Forthcoming Goodwill Engagement of the New York City Ballet in Barcelona, Spain, the First Stop in a Tour of Western Europe."

The article continues, "the signers declared that this cultural overture in the name of New York City toward the only surviving partner of Hitler and Mussolini is unthinkable. Franco Spain is still a land of Fascism, a land of religious persecution and of poverty and a stultified culture. Shall we

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now abandon the tradition established by great artists such as Toscanini, Martha, Graham and Cassias, when they refused to perform in Nazi Germany and Fascist Italy?". Among signers of this protest was one AGNES deMILLE, not further identified.

Confidential Informant T-11, of known reliability,

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Board of Elections for Westchester County, White Plains, New York, as reviewed by SA JAMES E. GORDON reflected the following information concerning MARGARET deMILLE KAPLAN:

| <u>Year</u> | <u>Residence</u> | <u>Party Preference</u> |
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| 1952 | 110 Maple Avenue, New Rochelle, New York | One of the two major political parties. |
| 1951 | 110 Maple Avenue, New Rochelle, New York | One of the two major political parties. |
| 1950 | 110 Maple Avenue, New Rochelle, New York | One of the two major political parties. |
| 1949 | 110 Maple Avenue, New Rochelle, New York | Liberal Party. |
| 1948 | 110 Maple Avenue, New Rochelle, New York | One of the two major political parties. Reflected last voted in 1947 from 1958 West 74th Street, New York City. |
| 1947 | 158 West 74th Street | Liberal Party |
| 1946 | 156 West 74th Street | American Labor Party. Indicated last registered in 1945 while residing at 25 East Ninth Street, New York City. |
| 1945 | 25 East Ninth Street | One of the two major political parties. |

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| <u>Year</u> | <u>Residence</u> | <u>Party Preference</u> |
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| 1944 | 25 East Ninth Street | One of the two major political parties. |
| 1943 | 25 East Ninth Street | American Labor Party. |
| 1942 | 25 East Ninth Street | One of the two major political parties. |
| 1941 | 25 East Ninth Street | One of the two major political parties. |
| 1940 | 25 East ninth Street | Blank. Indicated that she last registered in 1934 in Los Angeles, California. |

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications" dated March 3, 1951, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., contains the following concerning the American Labor Party:

"American Labor Party

"1. 'For years, the Communists have put forth the greatest efforts to capture the entire American Labor Party throughout New York State. They succeeded in capturing the Manhattan and Brooklyn sections of the American Labor Party but outside of New York City they have been unable to win control.' (Special Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, March 29, 1944, Page 78.)

"2. Among 'organizations that are victims of Communist domination.' (California Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, 1948, Pages 40 and 41.)"

Reliable confidential informants, who have a knowledge of some of the Communist Party activities in the New York City area, advised that AGNES deMILLE PRUDY and MARGARET deMILLE KAPLAN were unknown to them.

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Concerning the Liberal Party the following is noted:

In the "New York Times" issue of March 1, 1944, it was reported that a call had been issued for a state-wide convention to form the liberal party by DEAN ALFANGE and JOHN L. CHILDS. It was reported that the proposed political party would have as its nucleus the "Right Wing" of the American Labor Party, together with Liberal-minded citizens of New York regardless of party affiliations.

The "New York Times" issue of May 20, 1944, in a news dispatch reported that the Liberal Party was started on May 19, 1944 at a convention in New York. The "backbone" of the Liberal Party was reported as consisting of groups from the Right Wing of the American Labor Party who lost control of that party in the 1944 primaries to the Left Wing, or Communist, elements.

In a letter to the "New York Times," bearing date of December 21, 1944, Mr. JOHN L. CHILDS, then State Chairman of the Liberal Party, said in part; "the Liberal Party was initiated by non-Communist elements of the American Labor Party."

CREDIT

The files of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York were checked and Special Employee RICHARD F. O'HARA was advised that there was no New York trade listed concerning Mr. CECIL B. de MILLE but that there was an article in the "New York Times" dated February 1, 1935, furnished by the Associated Press, Washington, D.C., which disclosed that CECIL B. de MILLE was upheld by the Board of Tax Appeals today in his fight against Treasury Tax Claims exceeding \$1,500,000.00. Internal Revenue Bureau had claimed \$1,486,317.00 was owed by CECIL B. de MILLE Production, Incorporated for accumulating surplusses beyond reasonable needs of business to avoid surtax by stock holders. Contended De MILLE owed \$189,487.00 but tax board agreed with De MILLE that wife's earnings should not be included.

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The files of the New York City Police Department were checked and SA AUGUST J. MICEK was advised that there was no record for CECIL B. de MILLE or any member of his family.

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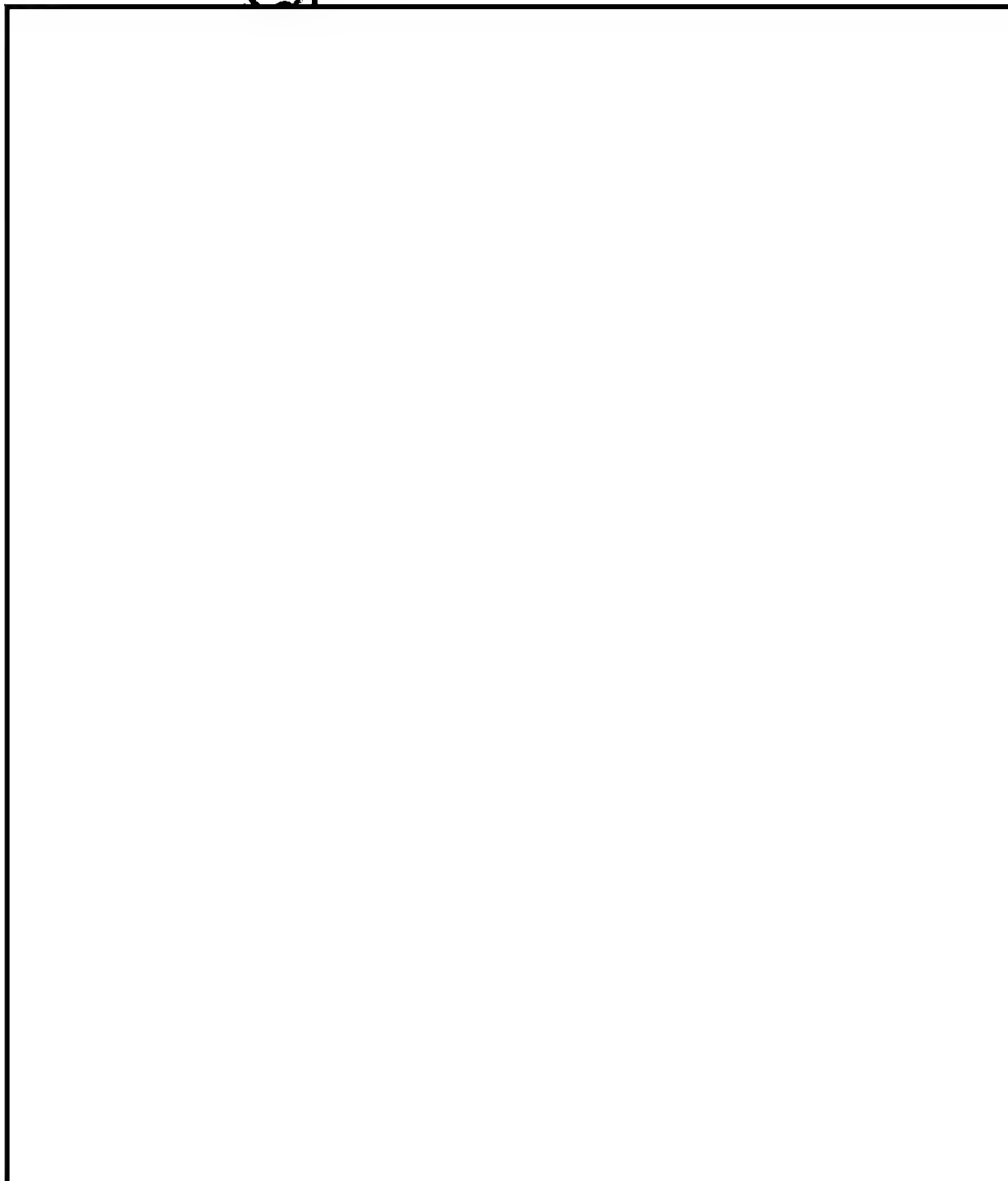
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Mr. WEIGHAN stated that he had met Mr. de WILLE about 1915 and that his brother, THOMAS WEIGHAN, had worked with Mr. de WILLE for many years. He stated that he had met Mr. de WILLE'S brother on a few occasions but did not know other members of Mr. de WILLE'S family.

Mr. NAGEL and Mr. WEIGHAN both advised that Mr. de WILLE was respected by everyone who knew him and that he is a man of strong convictions. They stated that Mr. de WILLE has fought the Communist infiltration of the Film Industry for years and is completely loyal to the United States. They stated that they were not close associates of Mr. de WILLE'S family and did not know Mr. de WILLE'S nieces who reside in New York City.

Mr. NAGEL and Mr. WEIGHAN advised that they did not know how close Mr. de WILLE was to members of his family and that they had never discussed political ideologies with the members of Mr. de WILLE'S family. They stated that it was their opinion that Mr. de WILLE and members of his family were all loyal United States citizens and that they had never heard anything to make them think otherwise.

Miss GLORIA SWANSON, 920 5th Avenue, New York City, advised that she had gone to work for Mr. de WILLE in 1917 and has been a close friend and business associate of his since that time. She stated that she thought it was common knowledge in the theatrical world that Mr. de WILLE during the early 1900's was associated with CHARLES FROHMAN, DANIEL FROHMAN, Mrs. HENRY C. de WILLE, DAVID BELASCO and JESSE L. LASKY.

Miss SWANSON stated that she realized the threat to the United States by the Communist Party as early as 1937 and that she has been fighting the Communists since that time. She stated that because of her concern regarding Communism she maintained a careful watch of her associates and soon learned who were loyal Americans. She stated Mr. de WILLE was a loyal American and that she would highly recommend Mr. de WILLE for a position of trust.

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Miss SWANSON advised that she has met Mr. de WILLE'S brother and children on a few occasions when she was in California but that she had not discussed political ideologies with them. She stated she believed they, Mr. de WILLE'S family were loyal Americans because she had never heard anything unfavorable concerning them and because Mr. de WILLE was completely loyal. Miss SWANSON stated that she had formed the opinion that there was a feeling of professional jealousy between Mr. de WILLE and his brother and that because of this Mr. de WILLE was not very closely associated with his brother or his brother's family.

LOIS WILSON, Radio and Television Actress, when interviewed at the home of Miss GLORIA SWANSON advised that she has known Mr. de WILLE casually since about 1919 and that she had worked with Mr. de WILLE'S brother at different times. She stated that she believes Mr. de WILLE and his brother are not as close as most brothers and that she believes they have conflicting personalities. She stated that she did not know any of the other members of Mr. de WILLE'S family. She stated that she has never discussed political ideologies with Mr. de WILLE or his brother but that she believed them to be loyal Americans because of their reputations.

Doctor MARION STRAKAHAN, MD, who specializes in psychiatry, 222 West 9th Street, New York City, advised that she treated Mrs. MARGARET de WILLE KAPLAN for a period of about three years. She stated Mrs. KAPLAN is a niece of Mr. CECIL B. de WILLE but that she does not believe Mrs. KAPLAN is closely associated with Mr. de WILLE. She stated that Mrs. KAPLAN had been ill but that she was cured now. She stated that she had never met Mr. de WILLE and that Mrs. KAPLAN rarely spoke of Mr. de WILLE. She stated that she did not know AGNES de WILLE PRUDE who is Mrs. KAPLAN'S sister.

Mr. CARLTON L. FISHEL, Trifari, Krussman, and Fishel, 16 East 40th Street, New York City, advised that he is acquainted with Mrs. MARGARET de WILLE KAPLAN but that he has never met Mrs. KAPLAN'S sister, AGNES PRUDE or other members of her family. He stated that Mrs. KAPLAN had remarked that her uncle was CECIL B. de WILLE but that she had never mentioned anything concerning Mr. de WILLE other than their relationship. He stated that he believed Mrs. KAPLAN is a person of good character, reputation, associates and loyalty.

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Files of G-2, Central Records Facility, Fort Holabird, Baltimore, Maryland, were checked without locating any record of applicant.

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REFERENCE: Bureau letter to Los Angeles, 7-7-53

DETAILS: The files of the G-2 Central Records Facility, Fort Holabird, Baltimore, Maryland were checked through the commanding officer of the Facility without locating any record of the applicant.

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| TITLE CECIL BLOUNT de MILLE | | | CHARACTER OF CASE SPECIAL INQUIRY-STATE DEPARTMENT Public Law 402, 80th Congress (VOICE OF AMERICA) |

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Birth verified.

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REFERENCE:

Bureau letter to Los Angeles dated 7/7/53.

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DETAILS:

Birth

Records of the Bureau of Vital Statistics, Office of the Secretary of State, State House, Boston, Massachusetts, show that the applicant was born August 12, 1881, as CECIL BLOUNT de MILLE at Ashfield, Massachusetts. The applicant's father was listed as HENRY C. and his mother as MATILDA SAMUELS. His father was born in the United States and his mother was born in Liverpool, England.

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| TITLE CECIL BLOUNT de MILLE | | | CHARACTER OF CASE SPECIAL INQUIRY-STATE DEPARTMENT, PUBLIC LAW 402, 80th CONGRESS (VOICE OF AMERICA) |

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

FRED G. GURLEY has known De MILLE for ten years and recommends him as a loyal citizen and an excellent security risk.

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REFERENCE: Los Angeles teletype dated July 13, 1953.

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DETAILS:

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ADD. DISSEMINATION

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| TITLE CECIL BLOUNT de MILLE | | | CHARACTER OF CASE SPECIAL INQUIRY-STATE DEPARTMENT PUBLIC LAW 402, 80th CONGRESS, (VOICE OF AMERICA) |

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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Report of SA RICHARD L. DELP, 7/14/53, New York.

DETAILS

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REFERENCE

Report of SA RICHARD L. DELP, 7/14/53, New York.

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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Report of SA RICHARD L. DEMP, 7/14/53, New York.

DETAILS

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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De MILLE received honorary Doctor of Fine Arts degree in June, 1942 at University of Southern California, Los Angeles, and also received Americanism Award in October, 1951 at 33rd Annual Convention of American Legion in Miami, Florida. De MILLE employed as motion picture producer in Los Angeles, California from 1913 to present date, and JESSE L. LASKY recalled De MILLE organized an aviation firm at Santa Monica, California from approximately 1914-1918. Who's Who in America, 1952-1953, reflects De MILLE was organizer and President of Mercury Aviation Company, Hollywood, California, 1918-1923, which was first commercial aviation company to carry passengers on regulation flights. He also founded the De MILLE Foundation for Political Freedom sometime around 1945. Reference LOUIS B. MAYER recommends De MILLE without reservation and reference NEIL S. McCARTHY unavailable for interview as presently in Europe. Confidential informant T-12, of known reliability, advised [redacted] Los Angeles Committee for Care of Children in Wartime, a Communist Party front organization. Reference [redacted] according to T-13, of known reliability, [redacted] a Communist Party front organization. Acquaintances and neighbors recommend De MILLE without reservation for a position of trust and confidence. Credit satisfactory and no criminal record for De MILLE or relatives in the Los Angeles area. T-12, of known reliability, advised the name CECIL B. de MILLE appeared as patron on program of the Congress of American-Soviet Friendship in 1944, a Communist Party front organization. Informants advised

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SYNOPSIS (Continued):

KATHERINE de MILLE, applicant's adopted daughter, and her husband, ANTHONY QUINN, associated with Communist Party front organizations from 1939 to 1951. T-28, of known reliability, advised the name [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] However, T-30, of known reliability, advised [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Former members of the Communist Party, advised the applicant has always been adverse to Communism and is a loyal, patriotic American citizen. Other reliable informants who are familiar with Communist Party activity in the Los Angeles area advised they had no information concerning the applicant, LOUIS B. MAYER, Y. FRANK FREEMAN, KATHERINE de MILLE QUINN, ANTHONY QUINN, RICHARD de MILLE or WILLIAM C. de MILLE.

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REFERENCES:

Bureau letter to Los Angeles dated July 7, 1953;
Los Angeles teletype to New York dated July 10, 1953;
San Francisco teletype to Los Angeles dated July 10, 1953;
Los Angeles teletype to New York and Chicago dated July 13, 1953;
Bureau teletypes to Los Angeles dated July 14, 1953;
Los Angeles airtel to the Bureau dated July 15, 1953.

DETAILS:

Investigation was conducted at the University of Southern California by SA GEORGE A. SCHUTTE; interviews of LASKY, MAYER, HOWIE, COHN TEVLIN, McGAUGHEY and WALL by SA LESLIE F. WARREN; interviews of HILTON, SIMPSON FREEMAN, MEIKELJOHN, LEROY and PINE by SA JOHN M. CASHEL; interviews of TREACY, DEAN, GIANNINI, WARREN and BELL by SAALEX M. HURST; interview of CLARKE and neighborhood in the vicinity of 2000 de Mille Drive by SA CARL W. WULLSCHLAGER; Retail Merchants Credit Association by SE BERNARD W. MCCARTHY; at the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office by SE JAMES L. MAHAN,

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who also caused the records of the Los Angeles Police Department to be searched, and at the U. S. Naturalization Court by SE B. FRANK CROSS.

This investigation was predicated upon the request of T-1, a governmental agency which conducts personnel investigations, who advised that information was received from T-2, of known reliability,

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from T-3, of known reliability, [redacted]

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[redacted] from T-4,
of known reliability, [redacted]

[redacted] the March 30, 1946 issue of the "Daily People's World," a West Coast Communist newspaper, reflects Mrs. KATHERINE de MILLE QUINN was a sponsor of the Spanish Refugee Appeal concert in April, 1946.

The American-Russian Institute of Southern California, the People's Education Center and the American Youth for Democracy have been cited by the Attorney General as within the purview of Executive Order 10450.

In the report to the 1948 regular California Legislature concerning un-American activities in California, on page 115 it is reflected the Spanish Refugee Appeal is a Communist Party front organization.

EDUCATIONAL AWARDS

University of Southern California
Los Angeles, California

Miss VIRGINIA DAVIS, Secretary to the President, advised the applicant received an honorary Doctor of Fine Arts degree at their commencement exercises in June, 1942, in recognition of his outstanding accomplishments in the field of fine arts.

American Legion

WARREN B. HILLMAN, Adjutant, Los Angeles County Council of the American Legion, 1816 South Figueroa Street,

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Los Angeles, California, advised that at the 33rd Annual National Convention of the American Legion held in Miami, Florida between October 15 and 19, 1951, their National Commander, ERLE P. COCKE, JR., highly praised CECIL B. de MILLE for his loyalty to the United States and presented him with their Americanism Award for his 37 years of outstanding leadership in the motion picture industry and the field of education.

EMPLOYMENT

DAVID BELASCO and JESSE L. LASKY
New York, New York

JESSE L. LASKY Feature Play Company

The Famous Players Lasky Corporation

De MILLE Partnership

CECIL B. de MILLE Productions, Inc.

CECIL B. de MILLE Pictures Corporation
Hollywood, California and Culver City,
California

JESSE L. LASKY, motion picture producer, California Studios, 750 North Bronson Avenue, Los Angeles, California, advised he has been a very close business and social acquaintance of the applicant since 1911 and considers De MILLE to be a person whose character, reputation, loyalty, patriotism and associates are above reproach. LASKY stated De MILLE was associated with him and DAVID BELASCO in New York City from approximately 1910 to 1912 and he, De MILLE, was employed by the JESSE L. LASKY Feature Players Company in Los Angeles from 1913 to 1915. He continued the applicant was employed from 1916 to 1920 by the Famous Players Lasky Corporation which became known as the Paramount-Famous Players Lasky Corporation, later known as Paramount Publix Company, and eventually became known as Paramount Pictures, Inc. LASKY stated De MILLE was associated with these firms in the Los Angeles area as a motion picture producer from 1913 to the present date and although he, LASKY, left the company in 1932, he has had numerous professional contacts with him since that date.

LASKY also stated the applicant was a pilot and started an air service in Santa Monica, California sometime

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→ around 1914. He stated he was De MILLE's first passenger and that he abandoned this air service at the beginning of hostilities in World War I. LASKY also said de MILLE's patriotism and loyalty to this country is evidenced by the fact that he organized and was the officer-in-charge of a Home Guard during World War I and used to drill his forces in front of a studio which was then located on Vine Street in Los Angeles. LASKY did not know of the applicant having any foreign connections and recommended him without reservation for a position of trust and confidence, concluding that he would serve in the best interests of the United States Government. LASKY further advised that although he is not very well acquainted with De MILLE's immediate family, he has never had any reason to question their character, reputation, loyalty, patriotism or associates.

→ M. H. SIMPSON, Comptroller, Paramount Pictures, Inc., 5451 Marathon Avenue, Los Angeles, California, advised the applicant has been associated with Paramount as a motion picture producer since December 16, 1913, when the firm was then known as the JESSE L. LASKY Feature Play Company. He explained that De MILLE, JESSE LASKY and ADOLPH ZUKOR had been active in the establishment of Paramount, and De MILLE founded his own corporation whereby he produced motion pictures and sold them to Paramount. He said this agreement with Paramount was concluded in 1952 when the De MILLE corporation was dissolved, but Paramount has a contract with De MILLE to produce and direct the motion picture "The Ten Commandments."

→ SIMPSON went on to say that De MILLE's character, reputation, loyalty, patriotism and associates are above reproach. He felt that De MILLE is one of the most outstanding American citizens and said his loyalty and patriotism to this country are further evidenced by the attacks that have been made on him by the Communist element in the film industry. He recommended him without reservation for a position of trust and confidence. SIMPSON further advised that the applicant's brother, WILLIAM de MILLE, was associated with him for many years in the motion picture industry and he had no knowledge concerning any of his other relatives.

→ A. B. HILTON, Assistant to the Vice-President, Paramount Pictures, Inc., 5451 Marathon Avenue, Los Angeles, California, advised the applicant has been associated with their firm as a motion picture producer from 1913 to the present date, and he has been closely acquainted with him for the past twelve years. HILTON stated De MILLE is an outstanding American

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citizen whose character, reputation, loyalty, patriotism and associates are above reproach. He said that he has consistently fought Communism in the film industry and felt that his services would be one of the greatest assets the United States Government could ever obtain. HILTON also stated the applicant founded the De MILLE Foundation for Political Freedom after he had been denied access to the air by the American Federation of Radio Artists as he objected to the payment of \$1.00 for a union political assessment. He related that De MILLE is inclined to be intolerant of labor, and the foundation's objectives are to oppose organized labor and change labor contract policies. He recommended De MILLE without reservation for a position of trust and confidence.

WILLIAM MEIKELJOHN, Head of the Talent Department, Paramount Pictures, Inc., 5451 Marathon Avenue, Los Angeles, California, advised that he has been very closely acquainted with the applicant for the past fourteen years and has assisted him in the casting of his motion picture productions "Samson and Delilah" and "The Greatest Show on Earth." He described De MILLE as one of the most outstanding American citizens of our time and stated that he is one of the finest motion picture producers in the world as he has always stressed a high degree of morality in producing a motion picture. He stated his character, reputation and associates are above reproach. He went on to say his loyalty and patriotism are unquestionable as he has consistently fought Communism and attempted to keep the Communist element out of the motion picture industry. He recommended him without reservation for a position of trust and confidence.

RUSSELL TREACY, Manager of the C. B. de MILLE Business Properties and financial advisor to the applicant, 2010 de Mille Drive, Los Angeles, California, advised that except when Mr. de MILLE is away from Los Angeles, he has had almost daily contact with him since 1926. He considers him to be a person whose character, reputation, loyalty, patriotism and associates are above reproach. He said that to his knowledge he has no foreign connections and recommended him without reservation for a position of trust and confidence. He also said that since he has known the applicant he has been a motion picture producer to the present date. He stated he was one of the most capable individuals within this industry. TREACY further advised that he is very well acquainted with

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the children of the applicant and considers them to be loyal, patriotic American citizens. He continued that none of his relatives have any influence whatsoever over Mr. de MILLE. It was further ascertained from TREACY that KATHERINE de MILLE QUINN, RICHARD de MILLE and JOHN B. de MILLE are adopted children and that Mrs. CECELIA de MILLE HARPER is his only child. CH-1 F

Miss MARY E. WALL, Secretary, de MILLE Foundation for Political Freedom, 8247 Beverly Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, advised this organization was founded sometime around 1945 by the applicant when he was denied access to the radio by the American Federation of Radio Artists. She said the foundation was organized to encourage the passage of legislation to restore to every American the right to work and to work free from fear or favor, free from invasion of human rights whether by employers, unions or anyone else. Miss WALL said she has had limited professional contact with de MILLE since she has been employed here but has known of his reputation for the past twenty years and considers him to be a person whose character, reputation, loyalty, patriotism and associates are above reproach. She highly recommended him for a position of trust and confidence.

The 1952-1953 edition of Who's Who in America reflects that CECIL B. de MILLE was the organizer and President of the Mercury Aviation Company, Hollywood, California, 1918-1923, and that this firm was the first commercial aviation company to carry passengers on regulation flights.

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REFERENCES AND ACQUAINTANCES

Y. FRANK FREEMAN, Vice President in Charge of Production, Paramount Pictures, Incorporated, 5451 Marathon Avenue, Los Angeles, California, who is given as a reference by the applicant, advised that he has known of De MILLE since 1916 or 1917 and first met him in New York some time around 1935. FREEMAN said he has been very closely associated with De MILLE since taking charge of the studio in 1938 and considers him to be a very close friend. He said that De MILLE is one of the pioneers in the motion picture industry and has been associated with Paramount since approximately 1914 when the firm was known as the Jesse Lasky Famous Players. He stated De MILLE was a person whose character, reputation, patriotism, loyalty and associates are above reproach and is an individual who adheres to strong American principles and high ideals. He recommended him without reservation for a position of trust and confidence.

FREEMAN also said De MILLE was the founder of the De Mille Foundation for Political Freedom, an organization dedicated to preserve the right of an individual to work without union affiliation as he had been banned from the airwaves for his refusal to pay one dollar for a political assessment by the American Federation of Radio Artists. FREEMAN continued that he is also acquainted with Mrs. de MILLE and the other members of his family but is not well enough acquainted with them to make any comment. However, he did state that De MILLE has had very little to do with his adopted daughter, KATHERINE, who is married to ANTHONY QUINN, for the past eight or ten years as he, De MILLE, does not agree with QUINN's political ideals and does not have anything to do with him.

The September 17, 1943 issue of "Variety," a daily theatrical trade paper, in the article "Writers Congress Meeting Will Open at UCLA October 1," reflects the United Nations Writers Congress was scheduled to be held on the campus of the University of California at Los Angeles on October 1, 2 and 3, 1943 under the joint sponsorship of the Hollywood Writers Mobilization and the University of California at Los Angeles. This article further reflected that Y. FRANK FREEMAN was to be one of the delegates at this affair.

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The Hollywood Writers Mobilization has been cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 10450.

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The December 15, 1943 issue of "Variety" reflects Y. FRANK FREEMAN is on the Advisory Committee of the Writers Congress.

T-1 also advised that [REDACTED]

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LOUIS B. ~~MAYER~~, motion picture producer and former head of Metro Goldwyn Mayer Studios, 332 St. Cloud Road, West Los Angeles, California, who was given as a reference by the applicant, advised that he has been a very close professional and social acquaintance of De MILLE for the past 35 years and considers him to be a person whose character, reputation, loyalty, patriotism and associates are above reproach. ~~MAYER~~ also said De MILLE was a pioneer in the motion picture industry and is the best motion picture director in the world. He also stated the applicant operated a flying service from approximately 1913 to 1918 somewhere around Santa Monica, California. ~~MAYER~~ went on to say that De MILLE is an outstanding American and the United States Government could not have selected any individual better qualified for the job to which he may be assigned. ~~MAYER~~ further advised that he had no reason to question the loyalty of any member of De MILLE's family and recommended De MILLE without reservation for a position of trust and confidence.

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THOMAS DEAN, Vice President, Bank of America, 660 South Spring Street, advised he has been professionally acquainted with the applicant since 1914 and considers De MILLE to be a person whose character, reputation, loyalty, patriotism and associates are unquestionable. DEAN also said that he has served on the Board of Directors of the American Cancer Society with the applicant and highly recommended him for a position of trust and confidence.

MERVIN LeROY, motion picture director, Metro Goldwyn Mayer Studios, Culver City, California, advised that he has been professionally acquainted and has had some social contacts with the applicant for the past

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thirty years and considers him to be an outstanding American citizen whose character and reputation are above reproach. He also stated De MILLE is of unquestionable loyalty and patriotism as is evidenced by his consistent efforts to expell the Communist elements from the motion picture industry. LeROY went on to say that the United States Government needs the assistance of men of De MILLE's caliber and recommended him without reservation for a position of trust and confidence. LeROY was not personally acquainted with De MILLE's family but advised he has never had any reason to question their character, loyalty or associates.

BERNARD GIANNINI, Vice President, Bank of America, 660 South Spring Street, advised he has been socially and professionally acquainted with the applicant for the past twenty years and described him as a person of the very highest character, integrity and reputation. He said his loyalty and patriotism to this country is placed far above material things and his depiction of religious motion pictures indicates that he stands for high ideals and morals. He continued by saying the applicant's associates are of the highest character and recommended De MILLE without reservation, stating he is the most qualified man in the motion picture industry to work for the United States Government. GIANNINI further advised that he is acquainted with the immediate family of the applicant and has no reason to question any of their character, loyalty or associates.

JAMES HOWIE, Vice President and Legal Counsel, Association of Motion Picture Producers, 8480 Beverly Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, advised that he was not personally acquainted with De MILLE but has known of him for twenty years as a motion picture producer in Los Angeles. He said that from what he has known and heard about De MILLE, he considered him to be a person whose character, reputation, loyalty, patriotism and associates are above reproach. He stated that he would recommend De MILLE for a position of trust and confidence and feels he is very well qualified for a job in the Government as he has the ability of knowing and finding out just what appeals to people.

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JAMES W. WARREN, Vice President and General Manager, Brown Derby Restaurant Enterprises, 1628 North Vine Street, Los Angeles, California, advised that he has had professional and some limited social contact with the applicant for the past 25 years and considers him to be a person whose character, reputation, loyalty, patriotism, and associates are above reproach. He stated that he is one of the most ethical business men that he has ever been associated with and recommended him without reservation for a position of trust and confidence.

WILLIAM PINE, Motion Picture Producer and Head of Pine-Thomas Pictures, Inc., 5451 Marathon Avenue, Los Angeles, California, advised that he first became acquainted with De MILLE in 1932 when he (PINE) was working in the Publicity Department at Paramount Pictures, and from 1935-1941 PINE worked with De MILLE as an Associate Producer with the result that they have been very close friends. He said De MILLE was a person whose character, reputation, loyalty, patriotism, and associates are above reproach and he would recommend him without reservation for any position of trust and confidence.

He described De MILLE as being one of the great symbols of decency in the American motion picture industry and truly one of our great American citizens. He characterized him as being a very sincere, conscientious person who entertains the highest ideals of honesty, integrity, and morality. He went on to say that his loyalty and patriotism are further evidenced by his efforts to drive Communism, which is repugnant to him, out of Hollywood and also said that De MILLE is "as much American as Mount Rushmore."

PINE continued that he is very well acquainted with the applicant's family and has no reason to question any of their loyalties to the country. PINE said De MILLE's family consists of his daughter, CECILIA, who is married to JOSEPH HARPER, his adopted children--KATHERINE, who is married to actor ANTHONY QUINN, JOHN, and RICHARD.

PINE said that he had no reason to question the loyalty of ANTHONY QUINN whom he considers to be a free thinker on political issues, but stated De MILLE has had very little contact with either his daughter or QUINN since their marriage.

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JAMES W. WARREN, Vice President and General Manager, Brown Derby Restaurant Enterprises, 1600 North Vine Street, Los Angeles, California, advised that he has had professional and some limited social contact with the applicant for the past 25 years and considers him to be a person whose character, reputation, loyalty, patriotism, and associations are above reproach. He stated that he is one of the most ethical business men that he has ever been associated with and recommended him without reservation for a position of trust and confidence.

WILLIAM HILL, Motion Picture Producer and Head of Fine-Things Pictures, Inc., 5451 Marathon Avenue, Los Angeles, California, advised that he first became acquainted with De HILL in 1932 when he (HILL) was working in the Publicity Department at Paramount Pictures, and from 1936-1941 HILL worked with De HILL as an Associate Producer with the result that they have been very close friends. He said De HILL was a person whose character, reputation, loyalty, patriotism, and associations are above reproach and he would recommend him without reservation for any position of trust and confidence.

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HILL continued that he is very well acquainted with the applicant's family and has no reason to question any of their loyalties to the country. HILL said De HILL's family consists of his daughter, CECILIA, who is married to ROBERT HANSEN, his adopted children--KATHLEEN, who is married to actor TIMOTHY QUINN, JOHN, and MICHAEL.

HILL said that he had no reason to question the loyalty of KATHLEEN QUINN since he considers to be a free thinker on political issues, but stated De HILL had had very little contact with either his daughter or KATHLEEN since their marriage.

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HARRY COHN, Vice President in Charge, Hollywood Studios, Columbia Pictures, Inc., 1438 North Gower Avenue, Los Angeles, California, advised he has had professional and some limited social contact with the applicant for the past 15-20 years and considers him to be a loyal, patriotic, American citizen whose character, reputation, and associates are above reproach. He said De MILLE is the greatest director in the motion picture industry and highly recommended him for a position of trust and confidence, stating that more men of his caliber are needed in the Government.

JACK TEVLIN, Executive in Charge, RKO - Radio Pictures, Inc., 780 North Gower Avenue, Los Angeles, California, advised that he has had professional and some social contact with De MILLE since approximately 1940 and considers him to be a person whose character, reputation, loyalty, patriotism, and associates are unquestionable. He highly recommended De MILLE without reservation for a position of trust and confidence.

BERNARD KAIMINS, Public Relations, Chamber of Commerce Building, 239¹/₂ South Beverly Drive, Beverly Hills, California, advised that he was formerly associated with the Publicity Department of Paramount Pictures and was professionally acquainted with de MILLE from approximately 1940-1943 and has had limited professional contacts with him since that time. He stated De MILLE is a person whose character, reputation, loyalty, patriotism, and associates are above reproach. He also said De MILLE's character is evidenced by the motion pictures that he has produced throughout the years--especially the ones that have been based on stories from the Bible. He highly recommended him for a position of trust and confidence.

EMMETT C. MCGAUGHEY, Vice President, Erwin Wasey Company, 5645 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, who is also a Los Angeles Police Commissioner, advised that he has been socially and professionally acquainted with the applicant for the past eight years and considers him to be a person whose character, reputation, loyalty, patriotism, and associates are above reproach. He recommended him without reservation for a position of trust and confidence.

DWIGHT L. CLARKE, Chairman of Advisory Council and former president of Occidental Life Insurance Company of California, 1151 South Broadway, Los Angeles, California, advised that he has been very closely acquainted

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with De MILLE for the past three years as they both have been serving on the Los Angeles Committee of the American Cancer Society. He stated that De MILLE is a person whose character, reputation, loyalty, patriotism, and associates are above reproach. He went on to say that De MILLE is one of our great American citizens and has shown that he believes in American ideologies. He recommended him without reservation for a position of trust and confidence.

FRANCIS S. BELL, Executive Secretary, California Chapter, American Cancer Society, 699 South Wilshire Place, Los Angeles, California, advised that he has been acquainted with the applicant for the past three years and became acquainted with him when he was made a Director of the American Cancer Society. He said that de MILLE's character, reputation, loyalty, patriotism, and associates are above reproach and highly recommended him for a position of trust and confidence.

NEIGHBORHOOD

2000 de MILLE Drive
Los Angeles, California

ISAAC H. JONES, medical doctor, 5200 Lynwood Drive, Los Angeles, California, advised he has known the applicant since 1920 and has been a neighbor for the past 15 years. He stated De MILLE is one of the country's great Americans and a person whose character, reputation, loyalty, patriotism, and associates are above reproach. He highly recommended him for a position of trust and confidence.

GEORGE A. DOCKWEILLER, Superior Court Judge, State of California, 2040 Cummings Drive, Los Angeles, California, advised that he has been socially acquainted with De MILLE for the past 15 years and visits in his home approximately two or three times a week. He stated he is a person of unquestionable character, reputation, loyalty, patriotism, and associates and highly recommended him without reservation for a position of trust and confidence. He further advised that, to this knowledge, the applicant has no foreign connections and did not think he would ever violate or abuse a confidence.

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Mrs. ANN A. ANGELO, housewife, 2015 de MILLE Drive, Los Angeles, California, advised that she has known de MILLE for approximately eight to ten years as a neighbor and was professionally acquainted with him when she was formerly a movie actress at Paramount Pictures, Inc. She stated that she considered De MILLE to be a person whose character, reputation, loyalty, patriotism, and associates are above reproach. She highly recommended him for a position of trust and confidence.

Mrs. ROSE J. FINIGAN, Assistant Secretary to the applicant, 2010 De MILLE Drive, Los Angeles, California, advised she has known De MILLE since April, 1935, and considers him to be a person whose character, reputation, loyalty, patriotism, and associates are above reproach. She highly recommended him for a position of trust and confidence.

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CREDIT AND CRIMINAL

The records of the Retail Merchants Credit Association, Los Angeles, California, which also covers Culver City, California, reflect C. B. de MILLE, his wife, ~~CONSTANCE de MILLE~~, his daughter, ~~CECELIA de MILLE HARPER~~, his son-in-law, JOSEPH WESLEY HARPER, his daughter, KATHERINE de MILLE QUINN, his son-in-law, ANTHONY R. QUINN, his son, RICHARD de MILLE, his daughter-in-law, ROSA-LIND de MILLE, his son, JOHN BLOUNT de MILLE, his daughter-in-law, ~~LOUISE DENKER de MILLE~~, his brother, WILLIAM CHURCHILL de MILLE, and his sister-in-law, ~~CLARA BERANGER de MILLE~~, have a satisfactory credit rating.

Their records reflect Mr. and Mrs. ANTHONY QUINN formerly resided at 904 North Bedford Avenue, Los Angeles.

The records of the Santa Monica Credit Association, Santa Monica, California, also reflect the applicant has a satisfactory credit rating.

The records of the Los Angeles Police Department and the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office failed to contain any record identifiable with the applicant or the aforementioned relatives.

The records of the Santa Monica Police Department and the Culver City Police Department failed to contain any record identifiable with the applicant.

MISCELLANEOUS

T-12, of known reliability, advised in November, 1942, that a dinner was to be held at the Shrine Auditorium, Los Angeles, California, on November 8, 1942, under the sponsorship of the Congress of American-Soviet Friendship on the occasion of the 25th Anniversary of the founding of the Soviet Republic and was titled "Salute to Our Russian Ally." T-12 said a group of citizens had arranged the dinner so that the people of Los Angeles can give public expression to the gallant struggle of the Soviet people in our common cause. T-12 further advised the program that was issued contained the name CECIL B. de MILLE under the heading "Patrons."

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The Congress of American-Soviet Friendship was cited as a Communist front in the report dated March 29, 1944, page 94, by the Special Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.

T-14, of known reliability, advised that [redacted] was a subscriber to the People's World, a West Coast Communist newspaper, [redacted]

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T-15, of unknown reliability, advised that [redacted] was alleged to be a member of the Communist Party as of [redacted]

The Communist Party has been cited by the Attorney General as within the purview of Executive Order 10450.

T-16, of known reliability, advised [redacted]

[redacted] T-16 stated the American Committee to Save Refugees and the United Spanish Aid Committee amalgamated to form the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee on February 24, 1942.

The American Committee to Save Refugees was cited as a Communist front organization in the report dated March 29, 1944, pages 49, 112, 129, 133, 138, 167, 180, of the Special Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.

In the Report to the 1948 Regular California Legislature concerning un-American Activities in California, on pages 234 and 270, is reflected the Exiled Writers Committee as a Communist front organization, that it was established by the Communist League of American Writers to bolster the Communist front, American Committee to Save Refugees.

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The Exiled Writers Committee worked with other Communist fronts when the Spanish Communist Refugee agitation merged into the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee in 1942.

The United Spanish Aid Committee and the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee have both been cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 10450.

T-17, of known reliability, advised that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] T-17 stated
[REDACTED]

In the report to the 1948 Regular California Legislature Concerning Un-American Activities in California, on page 309, the Spanish-Speaking People's Congress was cited as a Communist front organization with offices in the Wilcox Building, Los Angeles,

The May 23, 1942, issue of the "Los Angeles News" reflects that KATHERINE de MILLE and ANTHONY QUINN from the motion picture industry were speakers at a meeting of the Spanish-Speaking People's Congress at the Embassy Auditorium on May 22, 1942.

T-18, of known reliability, advised that [REDACTED]

In the Report to the 1947 Regular California Legislature Concerning Un-American Activities in California, on page 45, and also the Report to the 1945 Regular California Legislature on pages 174 and 195 the Sleepy Lagoon Defense Committee is "Cited as 'among the Communist front organizations for racial agitation' which also serve as 'money-collecting media' and 'as special political organizing centers for the racial minority they pretend to champion.' When 17 Mexican youths were convicted

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for murder or criminal assault after a disturbance at Sleepy Lagoon near Los Angeles in August 1942, the Communist Party 'had a new cause celebre' which 'was used by Communist Party steering committees to feed the racial agitation and antagonism created by the "zoot-suit" riots'."

In the 1952 Annual Report of the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., on page 43, JOHN BRIGHT was identified as a Communist by RICHARD COLLINS on April 12, 1951; by FRANK TUTTLE on May 24, 1951; by MARTIN BERKELEY on September 19, 1951; by ELIZABETH WILSON on September 21, 1951; and by BUD SCHULBERG on May 23, 1951. JOSEPHINE BRIGHT was identified as a Communist by MARTIN BERKELEY on September 19, 1951; and on page 44, DOROTHY COMINGORE was identified as a Communist by MAX SILVER on January 23, 1952.

T-4, of known reliability, advised in 1943 that [redacted]

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In the 1947 Report to the Regular California Legislature Concerning Un-American Activities in California, on page 95, is reflected the Citizens Committee for the Defense of Mexican-American Youth is a Communist front for racial agitation that functioned in Los Angeles in 1943 during the so-called "zoot-suit" disturbances in that city.

T-4 also furnished the following [redacted]

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T-19, of known reliability, advised that he was a former member of the Communist Party in the Los Angeles area

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T-20, another Governmental agency which conducts certain intelligence investigations, advised in [REDACTED]

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T-21, of known reliability, advised in [REDACTED]

T-22, of known reliability, advised in March, 1944, that various Hollywood personalities were being contacted allegedly for the purpose of obtaining donations to the American Youth for Democracy and in contacting two of these personalities the name [REDACTED] was given as a reference. (X)

T-23, of known reliability, stated on June 5, 1944, [REDACTED]

T-23 had no details concerning [REDACTED]

T-23 further advised this information was obtained at the [REDACTED]

The American-Russian Institute of San Francisco has been cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 10450.

T-24, of unknown reliability, advised in 1944 that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] T-24 stated the other two individuals were Communist Party members and also said [REDACTED]

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T-24 further advised that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] It was further ascertained from T-24 that [REDACTED]
is known to be [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

In the Report to the 1951 Regular California Legislature Concerning Un-American Activities in California on page 289 is reflected a few organizations have succeeded in driving out Communists from key positions and salvaging themselves from red domination. The Council for Civic Unity in Los Angeles is an example.

T-25, of known reliability, advised that [REDACTED]

T-26, of known reliability, advised the names [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
appeared on the [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

T-27, of unknown reliability, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] advised in April, 1947, that [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] which T-27 believed was a
[REDACTED]

T-28, of known reliability, advised the names [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] (X)
T-29, of known reliability, advised the names [REDACTED]
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In the 1952 Annual Report of the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., on page 42, SIDNEY BENSON, also known as TED WELLMAN, a Communist Party functionary, was identified as a Communist by LEO TOWNSEND on September 18, 1951; by ELIA KAZAN on April 10, 1952; and by CLIFFORD ODETS on May 19, 1952.

T-30, of known reliability, advised that [] had contributed a sum of money to the American National Mexican Association in 1951. T-30 continued that in the fall of 1949 the National Committee of the Communist Party, USA, adopted a program of concentration among people of Mexican descent and issued instructions that the American National Mexican Association should be organized and used to further this concentration campaign. (X)

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T-30 concluded by stating that in the Los Angeles area the Los Angeles County Communist Party exercises control of the National Association of Mexican-Americans by the assignment of Communist Party members to work in the organization. (X)

The following issues of the "Daily People's World" reflect information concerning ANTHONY QUINN and KATHERINE de MILLE:

February, 1942 - KATHERINE de MILLE was one of the hostesses at a gala ball held February 14, 1942, sponsored by the Russian-American Society for medical aid to Russia and the hostesses were dressed in costumes of the various Russian nationalities. This issue also reflected GALE SONDERGAARD was one of the hostesses.

In the 1952 Annual Report of the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., on page 53, GALE SONDERGAARD was identified as a Communist by MARTIN BERKELEY on September 19, 1951; by ELIZABETH WILSON on September 21, 1951; and by BERNARD SCHOKNFELD on August 19, 1952.

October 25, 1942 - ANTHONY QUINN, Mexican Screen Actor, was named as a member of the Citizens Committee for the Defense of Mexican-American Youth.

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January 21, 1946 - ANTHONY QUINN was listed as a sponsor of a dinner held on January 25, 1946, at the Biltmore Hotel, Los Angeles, under the auspices of the Spanish Refugee Appeal.

June 15, 1948 - Describes ANTHONY QUINN as a Director of the play, "City of Angels," depicting the "zoot-suit" riots in Los Angeles during the war and the Sleepy Lagoon Case.

June 24, 1948 - Describes ANTHONY QUINN as a Director of the play, "City of Angels," which was closed by the Police Department because it was vulgar and indecent.

In the Report to the 1948 Regular California Legislature Concerning Un-American Activities in California, on pages 104 and 105, it is reflected that ANTHONY QUINN, a popular Mexican-born screen star, who is a favorite of the "People's World," is a member of the Actors' Laboratory, Inc., 1455 North Laurel Avenue, Hollywood, California, and is on the Executive Board and Faculty. It further reflects the Actors' Laboratory's primary function is to draw ambitious young actors and actresses into the orbit of Communist front organizations and Communist Party literature is always available at the Actors' Laboratory; and on page 97 of this same report it reflects KATHERINE de MILLE is an audience sponsor of the Actors' Laboratory.

The records of the United States Naturalization Court, Federal Building, Los Angeles, California, reflect that KATHERINE PAULA QUINN, 2045 Pinehurst Road, Los Angeles, California, filed a declaration of intention, number 72288, and received a Certificate of Naturalization, number 4503265, on January 27, 1939. These records indicated that she was born KATHERINE PAULA LESTER on June 29, 1911, at Vancouver, Canada, entered the United States at Maine, Washington, on May 19, 1918, and also requested that her name be changed to KATHERINE de MILLE QUINN. The record further reflected that she married ANTHONY QUINN born April 21, 1915, at Chihuahua, Mexico, at Beverly Hills, California, on October 2, 1937.

T-28, of known reliability, advised in January 1949, that the names [REDACTED]

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T-4 advised in 1951 that the Hollywood Arts, Sciences, and Professions Council, which is the Southern California Chapter of the National Council of Arts, Sciences, and Professions, was the most important Communist-controlled organization in the Hollywood professional field at that time and its policies paralleled the Communist Party line on all important issues; however, T-4 said membership in the Hollywood Arts, Sciences, and Professions Council of itself does not connote membership in or sympathy with the Communist Party.

T-31, of known reliability, advised [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

The 1952 Annual Report of the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., on page 54, it is indicated that JANET STEVENSON was identified as a Communist by GEORGE GLASS on January 21, 1952, and by ROY HUGGINS on September 29, 1952.

The applicant advised the Federal Bureau of Investigation on July 14, 1952, that his brother, WILLIAM de MILLE, Head of the Drama Department, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, California, had told him that JANET STEVENSON was employed in the Drama Department and refused to discuss her membership in and/or sympathies with the Communist Party with him, and refused to execute a loyalty oath.

De MILLE said his brother was taking the necessary steps to have her discharged as he would not have anyone working in his department who refused to sign a loyalty oath.

T-32, of known reliability, who is a member of the Communist Party from 1938 to 1945, and who was employed in the [REDACTED] during that period, advised applicant is a loyal, patriotic American citizen and has consistently

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attempted to keep the Communist element out of the motion picture industry. T-32 was also acquainted with [redacted]

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T-32 had no information concerning [redacted]

T-33, of known reliability, [redacted] who was formerly a member of the Communist Party from [redacted] advised that he has never met the applicant but stated that within the Communist Party circles [redacted]

T-33 said that [redacted]

T-33 has no information concerning the sympathies and memberships in any organizations of [redacted]

T-34, a [redacted] who was a former member of the Communist Party from [redacted] advised that to his knowledge the applicant is a loyal and patriotic American citizen and has always been considered within the Communist Party circles to be very strongly anti-Communist. T-34 has never known or heard any information concerning KATHERINE de MILLE, ANTHONY QUINN, or WILLIAM de MILLE.

Reliable confidential informants who are generally familiar with some Communist Party activity in the Los Angeles area, advised they had no information concerning CECIL B. de MILLE, ANTHONY QUINN, KATHERINE de MILLE, WILLIAM C. de MILLE, LOUIS B. MAYER, or Y. FRANK FREEMAN.

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Reference is made to the Los Angeles Crime Surveys dated October 15, 1947, page 13; April 15, 1948, page 61; and October 15, 1949, pages 52 and 53; wherein reference is made to LOUIS B. MEYER and his underworld contacts. This information is not being included in the details of the report as the reliability and source of information is unknown and cannot be determined.

The files of the Los Angeles Division also reflect that a complaint was received on August 1, 1950, from PETER LESCH, 15115 Sutton Street, Sherman Oaks, concerning LOUIS B. MEYER, the Head of MGM, and the complainant, who received this information from his wife, requested that she not be contacted concerning this matter as he received it in confidence after they were married. The complainant continued that his wife is EDITH BRAMHALL, aka. EDITH WOODS, nee. EDITH BREWSTER, a niece of Senator BREWSTER and CORDELL HULL, and she is under the impression that LOUIS B. MEYER is a Communist and he might head the Communist government in the event they took this country over. Inasmuch as this allegation is not supported with any facts and because the Los Angeles files do not reflect any activities on the part of MEYER in the Communist Party, this information is not being included in the details of the report.

Reference is also made to Bureau teletype to Los Angeles dated July 14, 1953, wherein it was requested that any criminal action in State Court or any matter of court record concerning RICHARD DE MILLE be set forth in the details of report as reflected in the report of SA VERN F. LOETTERLE dated April 28, 1941, captioned, "L. RON HUBBARD; SARA ELIZABETH HUBBARD - VICTIM; KIDNAPPING," Los Angeles File 7-394. This report reflects that FRANK B. DESSLER and RICHARD DE MILLE took the thirteen-month old daughter of the subject and victim from a nursery at 2600 South Hoover Street and placed her in a local nursing registry under an assumed name and when the facts were discussed with the United States Attorney at Los Angeles, he declined prosecution on the grounds it was a family matter and should be settled in the divorce courts.

SA CARL W. WULLSCHLAGER caused the following records

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to be searched concerning RICHARD B. DE MILLE and no criminal record was located:

Los Angeles Superior Court, Criminal Division,
H. J. ROBINSON, Deputy County Clerk;

Los Angeles Municipal Court, Felony and Failure
to Provide, MRS. ELLEN ROCH, Deputy Clerk;

Los Angeles Municipal Court, Criminal Division,
Felony Crimes Reduced to Misdemeanor, S. R.
HERSH, Deputy Clerk.

SA WULLSCHLAGER reviewed the Divorce Records of Los Angeles County at the Hall of Records Building and Number D 414498 reflects that a complaint for divorce was filed by SARA NORTHRUP HUBBARD against L. RON HUBBARD, also known as Hubbard Dianetic Research Foundation of California, Inc., a partnership with RICHARD B. DE MILLE as one of the partners, and DE MILLE acted as a corroborating witness for L. RON HUBBARD at a divorce hearing in the District Court of Sedgwick County, Kansas.

It is further to be noted that CECIL B. DE MILLE, the applicant, is Special Services Contact Number One of the Los Angeles Division; Y. FRANK FREEMAN is Special Services Contact Number Two of the Los Angeles Division; and LOUIS B. MEYER is an SAC contact of the Los Angeles Division.

The following agents reviewed the file references in this case:

SA CHARLES A. SHAW
SA ROBERT J. BARRY
SA ROBERT W. HOUSEAL, JR.
SA JAMES S. WEIR
SA JAMES M. BRADY
SA JOSEPH B. BACKUS
SA JOHN H. GALLIE

INFORMANTS

T-1 Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

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KATHERINE de MILLE, applicant's adopted daughter, and her husband, ANTHONY QUINN, associated with Communist Party front organizations from 1939 to 1951. T-28, of known reliability, advised [redacted] appeared on mailing list of a Communist Party front organization in 1949, and also [redacted] was in possession of a Communist Party functionary. However, T-30, of known reliability, advised [redacted]

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Other reliable informants who are familiar with Communist Party activity in the Los Angeles area advised they had no information concerning the applicant, LOUIS B. MAYER, Y. FRANK FREEMAN, KATHERINE de MILLE QUINN, ANTHONY QUINN, RICHARD de MILLE or WILLIAM C. de MILLE.

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REFERENCES:

Bureau letter to Los Angeles dated July 7, 1953;
Los Angeles teletype to New York dated July 10, 1953;
San Francisco teletype to Los Angeles dated July 10, 1953;
Los Angeles teletype to New York and Chicago dated July 13, 1953;
Bureau teletypes to Los Angeles dated July 14, 1953;
Los Angeles airtel to the Bureau dated July 15, 1953.

DETAILS:

Investigation was conducted at the University of Southern California by SA GEORGE A. SCHUTTE; interviews of LASKY, MAYER, HOWIE, COHN TEVLIN, McGAUGHEY and WALL by SA LESLIE F. WARREN; interviews of HILTON, SIMPSON FREEMAN, MEIKELJOHN, LEROY and PINE by SA JOHN M. CASHEL; interviews of TREACY, DEAN, GIANNINI, WARREN and BELL by SA ALEX M. HURST; interview of CLARKE and neighborhood in the vicinity of 2000 de Mille Drive by SA CARL W. WULLSCHLAGER; Retail Merchants Credit Association by SE BERNARD W. MCCARTHY; at the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office by SE JAMES L. MAHAN,

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who also caused the records of the Los Angeles Police Department to be searched, and at the U. S. Naturalization Court by SA E. FRANK CROSS.

This investigation was predicated upon the request of T-1, a governmental agency which conducts personnel investigations, who advised that information was received from T-2, of known reliability,

[redacted]
from T-3, of known reliability, that [redacted]

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of known reliability, that [redacted]

[redacted] and further, the March 30, 1946 issue of the "Daily People's World," a West Coast Communist newspaper, reflects Mrs. KATHERINE de WILLE QUINN was a sponsor of the Spanish Refugee Appeal concert in April, 1946.

The American-Russian Institute of Southern California, the People's Education Center and the American Youth for Democracy have been cited by the Attorney General as within the purview of Executive Order 10450.

In the report to the 1948 regular California Legislature concerning un-American activities in California, on page 115 it is reflected the Spanish Refugee Appeal is a Communist Party front organization.

EDUCATIONAL AWARDS

University of Southern California
Los Angeles, California

Miss VIRGINIA DAVIS, Secretary to the President, advised the applicant received an honorary Doctor of Fine Arts degree at their commencement exercises in June, 1942, in recognition of his outstanding accomplishments in the field of fine arts.

American Legion

WARREN E. HILMAN, Adjutant, Los Angeles County Council of the American Legion, 1816 S uth Figueroa Street,

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Los Angeles, California, advised that at the 33rd Annual National Convention of the American Legion held in Miami, Florida between October 15 and 19, 1951, their National Commander, ERLE P. COCKE, JR., highly praised CECIL B. de MILLE for his loyalty to the United States and presented him with their Americanism Award for his 37 years of outstanding leadership in the motion picture industry and the field of education.

EMPLOYMENT

DAVID BELASCO and JESSE L. LASKY
New York, New York

JESSE L. LASKY Feature Play Company

The Famous Players Lasky Corporation

De MILLE Partnership

CECIL B. de MILLE Productions, Inc.

CECIL B. de MILLE Pictures Corporation
Hollywood, California and Culver City,
California

JESSE L. LASKY, motion picture producer, California Studios, 750 North Bronson Avenue, Los Angeles, California, advised he has been a very close business and social acquaintance of the applicant since 1911 and considers De MILLE to be a person whose character, reputation, loyalty, patriotism and associates are above reproach. LASKY stated De MILLE was associated with him and DAVID BELASCO in New York City from approximately 1910 to 1912 and he, De MILLE, was employed by the JESSE L. LASKY Feature Players Company in Los Angeles from 1913 to 1915. He continued the applicant was employed from 1916 to 1920 by the Famous Players Lasky Corporation which became known as the Paramount-Famous Players Lasky Corporation, later known as Paramount Publix Company, and eventually became known as Paramount Pictures, Inc. LASKY stated De MILLE was associated with these firms in the Los Angeles area as a motion picture producer from 1913 to the present date and although he, LASKY, left the company in 1932, he has had numerous professional contacts with him since that date.

LASKY also stated the applicant was a pilot and started an air service in Santa Monica, California sometime

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around 1914. He stated he was De MILLE's first passenger and that he abandoned this air service at the beginning of hostilities in World War I. LASKY also said De MILLE's patriotism and loyalty to this country is evidenced by the fact that he organized and was the officer-in-charge of a Home Guard during World War I and used to drill his forces in front of a studio which was then located on Vine Street in Los Angeles. LASKY did not know of the applicant having any foreign connections and recommended him without reservation for a position of trust and confidence, concluding that he would serve in the best interests of the United States Government. LASKY further advised that although he is not very well acquainted with De MILLE's immediate family, he has never had any reason to question their character, reputation, loyalty, patriotism or associates.

M. H. SIMPSON, Comptroller, Paramount Pictures, Inc., 5451 Marathon Avenue, Los Angeles, California, advised the applicant has been associated with Paramount as a motion picture producer since December 16, 1913, when the firm was then known as the JESSE L. LASKY Feature Play Company. He explained that De MILLE, JESSE LASKY and ADOLPH ZUKOR had been active in the establishment of Paramount, and De MILLE founded his own corporation whereby he produced motion pictures and sold them to Paramount. He said this agreement with Paramount was concluded in 1952 when the De MILLE corporation was dissolved, but Paramount has a contract with De MILLE to produce and direct the motion picture "The Ten Commandments."

SIMPSON went on to say that De MILLE's character, reputation, loyalty, patriotism and associates are above reproach. He felt that De MILLE is one of the most outstanding American citizens and said his loyalty and patriotism to this country are further evidenced by the attacks that have been made on him by the Communist element in the film industry. He recommended him without reservation for a position of trust and confidence. SIMPSON further advised that the applicant's brother, WILLIAM de MILLE, was associated with him for many years in the motion picture industry and he had no knowledge concerning any of his other relatives.

A. B. HILTON, Assistant to the Vice-President, Paramount Pictures, Inc., 5451 Marathon Avenue, Los Angeles, California, advised the applicant has been associated with their firm as a motion picture producer from 1913 to the present date, and he has been closely acquainted with him for the past twelve years. HILTON stated De MILLE is an outstanding American

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citizen whose character, reputation, loyalty, patriotism and associates are above reproach. He said that he has consistently fought Communism in the film industry and felt that his services would be one of the greatest assets the United States Government could ever obtain. HILTON also stated the applicant founded the De MILLE Foundation for Political Freedom after he had been denied access to the air by the American Federation of Radio Artists as he objected to the payment of \$1.00 for a union political assessment. He related that De MILLE is inclined to be intolerant of labor, and the foundation's objectives are to oppose organized labor and change labor contract policies. He recommended De MILLE without reservation for a position of trust and confidence.

WILLIAM MEIKELJOHN, Head of the Talent Department, Paramount Pictures, Inc., 5451 Marathon Avenue, Los Angeles, California, advised that he has been very closely acquainted with the applicant for the past fourteen years and has assisted him in the casting of his motion picture productions "Samson and Delilah" and "The Greatest Show on Earth." He described De MILLE as one of the most outstanding American citizens of our time and stated that he is one of the finest motion picture producers in the world as he has always stressed a high degree of morality in producing a motion picture. He stated his character, reputation and associates are above reproach. He went on to say his loyalty and patriotism are unquestionable as he has consistently fought Communism and attempted to keep the Communist element out of the motion picture industry. He recommended him without reservation for a position of trust and confidence.

RUSSELL TREACY, Manager of the C. B. de MILLE Business Properties and financial advisor to the applicant, 2010 de Mille Drive, Los Angeles, California, advised that except when Mr. de MILLE is away from Los Angeles, he has had almost daily contact with him since 1926. He considers him to be a person whose character, reputation, loyalty, patriotism and associates are above reproach. He said that to his knowledge he has no foreign connections and recommended him without reservation for a position of trust and confidence. He also said that since he has known the applicant he has been a motion picture producer to the present date. He stated he was one of the most capable individuals within this industry. TREACY further advised that he is very well acquainted with

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the children of the applicant and considers them to be loyal, patriotic American citizens. He continued that none of his relatives have any influence whatsoever over Mr. de MILLE. It was further ascertained from THEACY that KATHERINE de MILLE QUINN, RICHARD de MILLE and JOHN B. de MILLE are adopted children and that Mrs. CECILIA de MILLE HARPER is his only child.

Miss MARY E. WALL, Secretary, De MILLE Foundation for Political Freedom, 8247 Beverly Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, advised this organization was founded sometime around 1945 by the applicant when he was denied access to the radio by the American Federation of Radio Artists. She said the foundation was organized to encourage the passage of legislation to restore to every American the right to work and to work free from fear or favor, free from invasion of human rights whether by employers, unions or anyone else. Miss WALL said she has had limited professional contact with De MILLE since she has been employed here but has known of his reputation for the past twenty years and considers him to be a person whose character, reputation, loyalty, patriotism and associates are above reproach. She highly recommended him for a position of trust and confidence.

The 1952-1953 edition of Who's Who in America reflects that CECIL B. de MILLE was the organizer and President of the Mercury Aviation Company, Hollywood, California, 1918-1923, and that this firm was the first commercial aviation company to carry passengers on regulation flights.

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REFERENCES AND ACQUAINTANCES

Y. FRANK FREEMAN, Vice President in Charge of Production, Paramount Pictures, Incorporated, 5451 Marathon Avenue, Los Angeles, California, who is given as a reference by the applicant, advised that he has known of De MILLE since 1916 or 1917 and first met him in New York some time around 1935. FREEMAN said he has been very closely associated with De MILLE since taking charge of the studio in 1938 and considers him to be a very close friend. He said that De MILLE is one of the pioneers in the motion picture industry and has been associated with Paramount since approximately 1914 when the firm was known as the Jesse Lasky Famous Players. He stated De MILLE was a person whose character, reputation, patriotism, loyalty and associates are above reproach and is an individual who adheres to strong American principles and high ideals. He recommended him without reservation for a position of trust and confidence.

FREEMAN also said De MILLE was the founder of the De Mille Foundation for Political Freedom, an organization dedicated to preserve the right of an individual to work without union affiliation as he had been banned from the airwaves for his refusal to pay one dollar for a political assessment by the American Federation of Radio Artists. FREEMAN continued that he is also acquainted with Mrs. de MILLE and the other members of his family but is not well enough acquainted with them to make any comment. However, he did state that De MILLE has had very little to do with his adopted daughter, KATHERINE, who is married to ANTHONY QUINN, for the past eight or ten years as he, De MILLE, does not agree with QUINN's political ideals and does not have anything to do with him.

The September 17, 1943 issue of "Variety," a daily theatrical trade paper, in the article "Writers Congress Meeting Will Open at UCLA October 1," reflects the United Nations Writers Congress was scheduled to be held on the campus of the University of California at Los Angeles on October 1, 2 and 3, 1943 under the joint sponsorship of the Hollywood Writers Mobilization and the University of California at Los Angeles. This article further reflected that Y. FRANK FREEMAN was to be one of the delegates at this affair.

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The Hollywood Writers Mobilization has been cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 10450.

T-12, of known reliability, advised that [REDACTED]

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The December 15, 1943 issue of "Variety" reflects Y. FRANK FREEMAN is on the Advisory Committee of the Writers Congress.

T-1 also advised that [REDACTED] who was given as a reference by [REDACTED] is unavailable for interview as [REDACTED]

LOUIS B. MAYER, motion picture producer and former head of Metro Goldwyn Mayer Studios, 332 St. Cloud Road, East Los Angeles, California, who was given as a reference by the applicant, advised that he has been a very close professional and social acquaintance of De MILLE for the past 35 years and considers him to be a person whose character, reputation, loyalty, patriotism and associates are above reproach. MAYER also said De MILLE was a pioneer in the motion picture industry and is the best motion picture director in the world. He also stated the applicant operated a flying service from approximately 1913 to 1918 somewhere around Santa Monica, California. MAYER went on to say that De MILLE is an outstanding American and the United States Government could not have selected any individual better qualified for the job to which he may be assigned. MAYER further advised that he had no reason to question the loyalty of any member of De MILLE's family and recommended De MILLE without reservation for a position of trust and confidence.

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T-12, of known reliability, advised in January, 1943 that [redacted] Committee for the Care of Young Children in Wartime, also known as the Los Angeles Committee for the Care of Young Children in Wartime.

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The report to the 1948 regular California Legislature concerning un-American Activities in California on Page 168 states the Committee for the Care of Young Children in Wartime is cited as a Communist front organization which received financial aid from the American Peoples Fund, a "Communist financial organization" organized and directed by FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD.

THOMAS DEAN, Vice President, Bank of America, 660 South Spring Street, advised he has been professionally acquainted with the applicant since 1914 and considers De MILLE to be a person whose character, reputation, loyalty, patriotism and associates are unquestionable. DEAN also said that he has served on the Board of Directors of the American Cancer Society with the applicant and highly recommended him for a position of trust and confidence.

MERVIN LEROY, motion picture director, Metro Goldwyn Mayer Studios, Culver City, California, advised that he has been professionally acquainted and has had some social contacts with the applicant for the past

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thirty years and considers him to be an outstanding American citizen whose character and reputation are above reproach. He also stated De MILLE is of unquestionable loyalty and patriotism as is evidenced by his consistent efforts to expell the Communist elements from the motion picture industry. LEROY went on to say that the United States Government needs the assistance of men of De MILLE's caliber and recommended him without reservation for a position of trust and confidence. LEROY was not personally acquainted with De MILLE's family but advised he has never had any reason to question their character, loyalty or associates.

BERNARD GIANNINI, Vice President, Bank of America, 660 South Spring Street, advised he has been socially and professionally acquainted with the applicant for the past twenty years and described him as a person of the very highest character, integrity and reputation. He said his loyalty and patriotism to this country is placed far above material things and his depiction of religious motion pictures indicates that he stands for high ideals and morals. He continued by saying the applicant's associates are of the highest character and recommended De MILLE without reservation, stating he is the most qualified man in the motion picture industry to work for the United States Government. GIANNINI further advised that he is acquainted with the immediate family of the applicant and has no reason to question any of their character, loyalty or associates.

JAMES HOWIE, Vice President and Legal Counsel, Association of Motion Picture Producers, 8480 Beverly Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, advised that he was not personally acquainted with De MILLE but has known of him for twenty years as a motion picture producer in Los Angeles. He said that from what he has known and heard about De MILLE, he considered him to be a person whose character, reputation, loyalty, patriotism and associates are above reproach. He stated that he would recommend De MILLE for a position of trust and confidence and feels he is very well qualified for a job in the Government as he has the ability of knowing and finding out just what appeals to people.

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The records of the Retail Merchants Credit Association, Los Angeles, California, which also covers Culver City, California, reflect C. B. de MILLE, his wife, CONSTANCE de MILLE, his daughter, CECILIA de MILLE HARPER, his son-in-law, JOSEPH WESLEY HARPER, his daughter, KATHERINE de MILLE QUINN, his son-in-law, ANTHONY R. QUINN, his son, RICHARD de MILLE, his daughter-in-law, ROSALIND de MILLE, his son, JOHN BLOUNT de MILLE, his daughter-in-law, LOUISE DENKER de MILLE, his brother, WILLIAM CHURCHILL de MILLE, and his sister-in-law, CLARA BERANGER de MILLE, have a satisfactory credit rating.

Their records reflect Mr. and Mrs. ANTHONY QUINN formerly resided at 904 North Bedford Avenue, Los Angeles.

The records of the Santa Monica Credit Association, Santa Monica, California, also reflect the applicant has a satisfactory credit rating.

The records of the Los Angeles Police Department and the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office failed to contain any record identifiable with the applicant or the aforementioned relatives.

The records of the Santa Monica Police Department and the Culver City Police Department failed to contain any record identifiable with the applicant.

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T-12, of known reliability, advised in November, 1942, that a dinner was to be held at the Shrine Auditorium, Los Angeles, California, on November 8, 1942, under the sponsorship of the Congress of American-Soviet Friendship on the occasion of the 25th Anniversary of the founding of the Soviet Republic and was titled "Salute to Our Russian Ally." T-12 said a group of citizens had arranged the dinner so that the people of Los Angeles can give public expression to the gallant struggle of the Soviet people in our common cause. T-12 further advised the program that was issued contained the name CECIL B. de MILLE under the heading "Patrons."

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June 15, 1948 - Describes ANTHONY QUINN as a Director of the play, "City of Angels," depicting the "zoot-suit" riots in Los Angeles during the war and the Sleepy Lagoon Case.

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In the Report to the 1948 Regular California Legislature Concerning Un-American Activities in California, on pages 104 and 105, it is reflected that ANTHONY QUINN, a popular Mexican-born screen star, who is a favorite of the "People's World," is a member of the Actors' Laboratory, Inc., 1455 North Laurel Avenue, Hollywood, California, and is on the Executive Board and Faculty. It further reflects the Actors' Laboratory's primary function is to draw ambitious young actors and actresses into the orbit of Communist front organizations and Communist Party literature is always available at the Actors' Laboratory; and on page 97 of this same report it reflects KATHERINE de MILLE is an audience sponsor of the Actors' Laboratory.

The records of the United States Naturalization Court, Federal Building, Los Angeles, California, reflect that KATHERINE PAULA-QUINN, 2045 Pinehurst Road, Los Angeles, California, filed a declaration of intention, number 72288, and received a Certificate of Naturalization, number 4503265, on January 27, 1939. These records indicated that she was born KATHERINE PAULA-LESTER on June 29, 1911, at Vancouver, Canada, entered the United States at Maine, Washington, on May 19, 1918, and also requested that her name be changed to KATHERINE de MILLE-QUINN. The record further reflected that she married ANTHONY QUINN born April 21, 1915, at Chihuahua, Mexico, at Beverly Hills, California, on October 2, 1937.

T-28, of known reliability, advised in January, 1949, that the names Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAM C. de MILLE, 130 Gillis Street, Playa Del Rey, California, appeared on the mailing (X)

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T-4 advised in 1951 that the Hollywood Arts, Sciences, and Professions Council, which is the Southern California Chapter of the National Council of Arts, Sciences, and Professions, was the most important Communist-controlled organization in the Hollywood professional field at that time and its policies paralleled the Communist Party line on all important issues; however, T-4 said membership in the Hollywood Arts, Sciences, and Professions Council of itself does not connote membership in or sympathy with the Communist Party.

T-31, of known reliability, advised [REDACTED]

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The 1952 Annual Report of the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., on page 54, it is indicated that JANET STEVENSON was identified as a Communist by GEORGE GLASS on January 21, 1952, and by ROY HUGGINS on September 29, 1952.

The applicant advised the Federal Bureau of Investigation on July 14, 1952, that his brother, WILLIAM de MILLE, Head of the Drama Department, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, California, had told him that JANET STEVENSON was employed in the Drama Department and refused to discuss her membership in and/or sympathies with the Communist Party with him, and refused to execute a loyalty oath.

De MILLE said his brother was taking the necessary steps to have her discharged as he would not have anyone working in his department who refused to sign a loyalty oath.

T-32, of known reliability, who is a member of the Communist Party from 1938 to 1945, and who was employed in the [REDACTED] during that period, advised applicant is a loyal, patriotic American citizen and has consistently

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De WILLE received honorary Doctor of Fine Arts degree in June, 1942 at University of Southern California, Los Angeles, and also received Americanism Award in October, 1951 at 33rd Annual Convention of American Legion in Miami, Florida. De WILLE employed as motion picture producer in Los Angeles, California from 1913 to present date, and JESSE L. LASKY recalled De WILLE organized an aviation firm at Santa Monica, California from approximately 1914-1918. Who's Who in America, 1952-1953, reflects De WILLE was organizer and President of Mercury Aviation Company, Hollywood, California, 1918-1923, which was first commercial aviation company to carry passengers on regulation flights. He also founded the De WILLE Foundation for Political Freedom sometime around 1945. Reference LOUIS B. WAYER recommends De WILLE without reservation and reference NEIL S. MCCARTHY unavailable for interview as presently in Europe. Confidential informant T-12, of known reliability, advised [redacted] Los Angeles Committee for Care of Children in Wartime, a Communist Party front organization. Reference [redacted] according to T-13, of known reliability, [redacted] a Communist Party front organization. Acquaintances and neighbors recommend De WILLE without reservation for a position of trust and confidence. Credit satisfactory and no criminal record for De WILLE or relatives in the Los Angeles area. T-12, of known reliability, advised the name CECIL B. de WILLE appeared as patron on program of the Congress of American-Soviet Friendship in 1944, a Communist Party front organization. Informants advised

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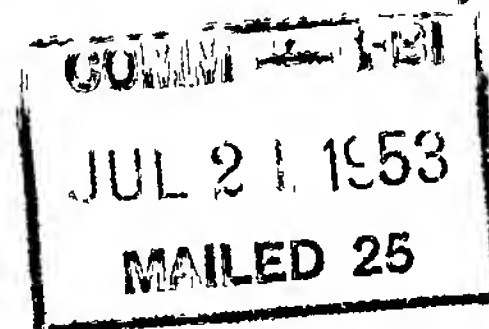
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CECIL BLOUNT de MILLE
SPECIAL INQUIRY - STATE DEPARTMENT
PUBLIC LAW 402, 80th CONGRESS
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SECURITY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

Attention:
Mr. Archie D. Simpson
Records Administration Branch

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ON *9/13/87*

For your information, and in order that consideration may be given as to whether any Federal laws have been violated, there is transmitted herewith one copy each of nine reports reflecting the results of an investigation by this Bureau concerning the above-named individual under the provisions of Public Law 298, 82nd Congress. Copies of these reports have been furnished the Civil Service Commission.

There is also transmitted herewith a report with twelve enclosures reflecting the investigation conducted by the Civil Service Commission concerning this individual under Public Law 298, 82nd Congress.

In addition to the information reflected in the enclosed reports, the records of another governmental agency reflect that in the fall of 1943, one Katherine de Mille Quinn, Beverly Hills, California, directed a communication to the Department of State in behalf of Jesus Hernandez Tomas urging his release and the extension of transit facilities to him.

Jesus Hernandez Tomas arrived in the United States at Portland, Oregon on October 26, 1943 aboard the Russian S.S. "Pischevaia Industria" and was detained because of an invalid passport or transit certificate.

Jesus Hernandez Tomas at a hearing on November 4, 1943 held at Portland, Oregon given by representatives of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, United States Department of Justice testified under oath that he was a member of the Communist Party.

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To: Mr. James E. Hatcher
Chief, Investigations Division
U. S. Civil Service Commission
Washington 25, D. C.

VIA SPECIAL MESSENGER

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From: John Edgar Hoover - Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: CECIL BLOUNT de MILLE
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ON 9/15/81

Reference is made to your request for investigation of the above-named individual by this Bureau under the provisions of Public Law 298, 82nd Congress, your file (2).22.53.3767.

There are transmitted herewith four copies each of nine reports reflecting the results of an investigation conducted by this Bureau concerning Cecil Blount de Mille.

In addition to the information reflected in the enclosed reports, the records of another governmental agency reflect that in the fall of 1943, one Katherine de Mille Quinn, Beverly Hills, California, directed a communication to the Department of State in behalf of Jesus Hernandez Tomas urging his release and the extension of transit facilities to him.

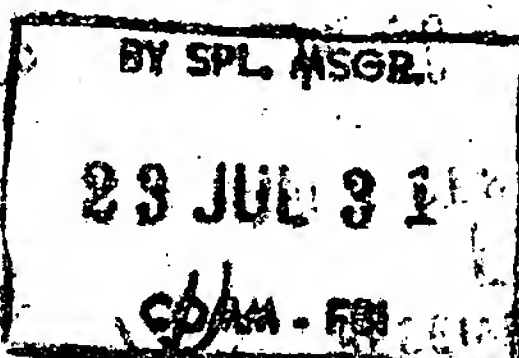
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TO : Mr. Ladd

DATE: July 29, 1953

FROM : Mr. Rosen

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SYNOPSIS: (INFORMATION INCLUDED IN REPORTS) Investigation referred to Bureau by Civil Service Commission July 6, 1953, as a Voice of America investigation (under provisions of Public Law 298, 82nd Congress). Investigation of applicant highly favorable with exception that name "Cecil B. de Mille" appeared as a patron on a program of the Congress of American-Soviet Friendship in 1944, a cited organization. Applicant's adopted daughter, Katherine de Mille Quinn, and her husband, Anthony Quinn, reported to have associated with numerous cited Communist Party Front Organizations from 1939 to 1951. Applicant reportedly did not approve of these activities. Applicant's son, Richard de Mille, reported to have paid to attend classes in Russian at People's Education Center, a cited organization. Applicant lists brother as William C. de Mille. The names "Mr. and Mrs. William C. de Mille" appeared on mailing list of a cited organization. Applicant's niece, Agnes de Mille Prude, reported to have associated with several organizations cited by the Attorney General, and niece, Margaret de Mille Kaplan, reported to have registered for American Labor Party in 1943 and 1946, a cited organization. Applicant reported not to be closely associated with these nieces. Investigation of other members of applicant's family favorable. Reference Louis B. Mayer, the noted motion picture producer who highly recommends applicant, reported to have been a sponsor of the Committee for the Care of Young Children in Wartime, cited as a Communist Front Organization.

(INFORMATION NOT INCLUDED IN REPORTS) One reference to Cecil de Mille in 1923 and one reference to William C. de Mille in 1922 in Bureau files not being included in reports as information is not specific and source of information is not shown.

Reference Louis B. Mayer, reported to have had underworld connections and having started in Hollywood as a pimp at the Regent Hotel. Mayer also reported to have provided an attractive place in the hills behind Hollywood where he installed Lena Horne, the famous blues singer, visiting her several nights a week. Mayer also reported to have given her expensive gifts. This information not included in report as it does not appear to be pertinent to the security aspects of the applicant and since reports are being disseminated to the Civil Service Commission and Assistant Attorney General, the Bureau would no longer have control over the information.

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Memorandum to Mr. Ladd

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RECOMMENDATION:

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That four copies of the attached reports be transmitted to the Civil Service Commission and that one copy of each report be furnished to the Assistant Attorney General as is customary when loyalty information is developed concerning an applicant or his immediate family.

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DETAILS:

This investigation was referred to the Bureau by the Civil Service Commission under the provisions of Public Law 298, 82nd Congress, on July 6, 1953, as a Voice of America investigation. The investigation on the applicant [redacted]

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[redacted] (a confidential informant) advised that [redacted]

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[redacted] This information is included in the attached Los Angeles report.

Bureau files also reflect a letter dated February 7, 1923, from the then Director, Bureau of Investigation, to Hon. Will H. Hayes, Motion Picture Producers and Distributors of America, 522 5th Avenue, New York, New York, in which Cecil de Mille is referred to as a "radical." (61-2859-7) This letter does not indicate the source, and the information is ambiguous in nature. It is noted that this reference was reported prior to Director John Edgar Hoover's appointment as Director of the FBI. As the source of this information is not known, and as the information is not specific, it has not been incorporated in the disseminated reports.

(APPLICANT'S IMMEDIATE FAMILY)

Applicant's adopted daughter, Katherine de Mille Quinn, and her husband, Anthony Quinn, are reported to have associated

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with numerous Communist Party Front Organizations in the Los Angeles area from 1939 to 1951, which have been cited by the Attorney General and cited in reports to the regular California Legislature concerning Un-American Activities in California. It has also been reported that they have associated with some Communist Party members. This information is included in the attached reports. It is also set forth in Los Angeles report that the applicant did not approve of his adopted daughter's and son-in-law's activities.

The applicant, on his Department of State request for investigation data, listed his brother, William C. de Mille, as residing at 130 Gillis Avenue, Playa Del Rey, California. [The attached Los Angeles report also reflects that the names "Mr. and Mrs. William C. de Mille, 130 Gillis Avenue, Playa Del Rey, California," appeared on a mailing list of the Hollywood Arts, Sciences and Professions Council, an organization affiliated with the Southern California Chapter of the National Council of Arts, Sciences and Professions, an organization cited as a Communist Front by the Congressional Committee on Un-American Activities. ~~700~~ The name "William C. de Mille" also appears in a book entitled "Reds in America," written by R. M. Whitney and published in 1924. This book refers to a "William C. de Mille" as attending a reception given by Charlie Chaplin for William Z. Foster at which were present "many radical members of the 'movie' colony at Hollywood and a number of parlor bolsheviks." This information is incorporated in the attached reports.

Bureau files reflect a report dated June 7, 1922, at Los Angeles captioned "George Vanderveer, Kate Crane Gartz, et al, Radical Activities," which reports a social meeting May 24, given by Mrs. Upton Sinclair at her home in Pasadena given in honor of George Vanderveer of Seattle, IWW Attorney and "High Priest of all Reds." It was reported that at this affair were many wealthy men and women such as William C. de Mille, son-in-law of Mr. George Laskey. (61-1879-1) This report does not indicate any source for this information; and, therefore, it is not being incorporated in the disseminated reports.

Applicant's son, Richard de Mille, is reported to have paid \$4.25 to attend classes in Russian at the People's Education Center, Los Angeles, California, an organization cited by the

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Attorney General. This information is included in the attached Los Angeles report.

Applicant's niece, Margaret de Mille Kaplan, daughter of William C. de Mille, is reported to have registered for the American Labor Party in New York in 1943 and 1946. The American Labor Party has been cited by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D. C. Another niece of the applicant, Agnes de Mille Prude, the famous choreographer and daughter of William C. de Mille, is reported to have been associated with several Communist Party Front groups in the New York City area which have been cited by the Attorney General. This information is included in the attached New York report dated July 14, 1953.

It is noted that this New York report also sets forth the degree of relationship between the applicant and his above-named nieces.

All other information regarding the above-named members of the applicant's family was favorable.

In addition to the members of the applicant's family named above, the applicant also indicates his wife as Mrs. Constance A. de Mille, a daughter, Mrs. Cecilia de Mille Harper, and a son, John B. de Mille. Investigation concerning these members of the applicant's family was favorable.

(REFERENCES)

It is noted that the attached Los Angeles report reflects the results of an interview with Louis B. Mayer, the noted motion picture producer, who was listed as a reference by the applicant. Mr. Mayer recommended the applicant very highly as an outstanding American. Mayer is reported to have been a sponsor of the Committee for the Care of Young Children in Wartime, an organization cited as a Communist Front in the report to the regular California Legislature concerning Un-American Activities in California. This information is included in the attached Los Angeles report.

The following information which was originally included in the Los Angeles report submitted to the Bureau has been deleted from the attached Los Angeles report. The original Los Angeles

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report reflected that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] It was reflected in
the original Los Angeles report that [REDACTED]
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(a confidential informant) had advised that [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] This information is not being included in the attached Los Angeles report as it does not appear to be pertinent to the security aspects of the applicant and since reports are being disseminated to the Civil Service Commission and Assistant Attorney General, the Bureau would no longer have control over the information.

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TO : Mr. Tolson ✓

DATE: July 7, 1953

FROM : L. B. Nichols

SUBJECT:

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Charles Noone of IIA (International Information Administration) telephoned at 4:30 P.M., July 6, 1953, and talked to Crosby. He advised that he understood that requests for investigations on Douglas Lyman Edmonds and Cecil B. DeMille had been referred by the Civil Service Commission to the FBI, since both are expected to fill key jobs in the International Information Agency. Noone said he would very much like to know if it would be possible for him to have some idea of what the status of the investigation was.

After checking, Crosby called Noone back and told him that the request for investigation on Edmonds had been received in the course of Friday, July 3, and that the request for investigation on Cecil B. DeMille was not received until July 6, the day of the call. Noone said he was sorry he bothered us since he had the impression the investigations had been referred to the Bureau sometime ago.

He then inquired what the expectation could be and Crosby told him he could give him no assurance but that every effort would be made to get the investigations out as quickly as possible.

cc - Mr. Ladd

Mr. Rosen

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